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## "WE MUST EXPECT HARDER FIGHT FOR DEFENCE OF CYRENEICA AND EGYPT"—WARNING BY CHURCHILL

"NOW THAT THE GERMANS ARE USING THEIR ARMoured STRENGTH IN CYRENEICA WE MUST EXPECT HARD AND SEVERE FIGHTING NOT ONLY FOR THE DEFENCE OF CYRENEICA BUT FOR THE DEFENCE OF EGYPT," warned MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, PRIME MINISTER, when he reviewed the war situation in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, states a Reuter message. "IT IS FORTUNATE THAT THE ITALIAN COLLAPSE IN ERITREA, ETHIOPIA AND BRITISH AND ITALIAN SOMALILAND IS LIBERATING PROGRESSIVELY VERY SUBSTANTIAL FORCES AND MASSES OF TRANSPORT TO REINFORCE THE ARMY OF THE NILE."

## Red Sea Virtually Cleared Of Enemy Warships: Italian Naval Power Broken At Matapan

The Premier said that the loss of BENGHAZI by the German encroachment on Cyreneica was chiefly injurious because valuable airfields had passed into the enemy's hands. Apart from that aspect the British forces should have originally halted at TOBRUK because it was easy going after that and submarines and aircraft were taking a steady toll of ships carrying troops and motor vehicles.

THE GERMAN ATTACK, HOWEVER, HAD BEEN IN GREATER STRENGTH THAN THE BRITISH COMMANDERS EXPECTED AND THE IMPERIAL FORCES HAD NOW FALLEN BACK ON STRONGER POSITIONS AND MORE DEFENSIBLE COUNTRY, says Reuter.

## Greece Was Ready To Fight Alone If Necessary: "Our Duty Was Clear"



In ERITREA, the main Italian resistance had been overcome at KAREN but it was hard fighting and the British suffered 4,000 casualties. MASSAWA was now in British hands and the Red Sea had been virtually cleared of enemy warships.

The Battle of Matapan had broken up Italian naval power and, Mr. Churchill added, "when we look back upon the forlorn position in which we were left in the Middle East by the French collapse we see the situation has been marvellously transformed."

IN HITLER'S HANDS  
Mr. Churchill welcomed Marshal Petain's declaration that FRANCE would never act against her former ally but they had to realise that the Vichy Government was in a

great measure in the hands of Herr Hitler.

The Prime Minister described Admiral Darian's statement that the Germans were more generous than the British was a strange thought and revealed that Britain had been ready to enter into negotiations with France to mitigate their hardships but the Germans had ordered Vichy to break these up.

"But we must maintain our rights even at the risk of collisions with French warships," declared Mr. Churchill, "and if this happens the consequences would be understood and fairly judged by the French nation."

GREECE READY  
In his opening remarks, the Prime Minister said, in referring to Greece, "Our duty was clear."

## MASSAWA IN HANDS OF BRITISH

AFTER 18-HOUR TRUCE GRANTED

The Italian port of Massawa in Eritrea has fallen to the British Imperial Forces, it is learned in London, says Reuter.

After the fall of Asmara, the Italians were called upon to surrender Massawa but they resisted. The capture of Massawa leaves Assab as the only Italian port along the Red Sea.

The last battle for the important port of Massawa began at 1 p.m. on Wednesday after an 18-hour truce which had been granted to the Italians to enable them to consider the British terms for surrender of the town, writes Reuter's Special correspondent with the British Imperial Forces.

## DEFEND PORT

The truce ended when the Italian Admiral, commanding the port, announced the decision, believed to be dictated from Rome, to defend the port to the last.

An exchange of gunfire announced the beginning of the battle and shortly after R.A.F. machines bombed Italian positions.

The Italians' decision to fight on was conveyed by a Staff officer, who was brought blindfolded to the British Headquarters. The Italians made no efforts to defend the road winding wildly through the mountains from Asmara and therefore could not hope to hold Massawa despite heavy shore guns which they turned towards land.

The French Foreign Legion formed the spearhead for the final attack.

## Crisis May Develop In East Asia Declares Hiranuma

TOKYO, April 9 (Reuter).—"A FRESH BIG CRISIS may develop in East Asia any moment due to the serious situation brought about in this part of the world by Britain and the United States, who have vigorously tightened the economic blockade against Japan on one hand and on the other extending increased assistance to the Chiang Kai-shek regime," declared BABON HIRANUMA, the Home Minister, in his address in the second day's session of the Provincial Governors' conference.

However, it is observed with gratification, the steady progress and the "construction of a new East Asia" by the conclusion of an agreement regulating basic relations between Japan, Manchoukuo and the settlement of the Thailand-French Indo-China border dispute through Japan's mediation.

Assuring the Provincial Governors that the Government has taken all necessary measures for coping efficiently all possible contingencies, the Home Minister urged them to co-operate with the Government in maintaining national standard of living, fostering of national resources, maintaining peace and order by cautious operation of the national defence security act and peace and maintenance act and the training of the people for air raid precautions.

## MOST POWERFUL U.S. BATTLESHIP

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The most powerful battleship of the United States navy—the 35,000-ton North Carolina—is being commissioned at the Brooklyn navy yard today, says the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS. Naval experts compare her armament and equipment with those of the British battleship King George V. The North Carolina carries nine 16-inch guns in the main battery.

## GRUESOME KOWLOON DISCOVERY

### ALLEGED MURDER OF TWO GIRLS

The brutal murder of two girls, the alleged motive of which was a family squabble, was discovered at No. 171 Tung Choi Street, Kowloon, ground floor, yesterday.

The victims were CHIU MO-TSAN, aged 8 years, and CHIU MO-YEE, aged 6.

The gruesome discovery was made by the father who found the bodies of his daughters about 4 p.m. Their hands and feet were bound and they were gagged. The elder girl had a severe cut on her throat.

An uncle of the girls, CHIU Sing-tung, aged 19, has been detained by the Police. Chiu was alleged to have openly spoken of killing the girls.

The bodies were removed to the Kowloon Mortuary at 8 p.m.

## MAIL NOTICES DISCONTINUED

The issue of the Post Office Inward and Outward Mail Notices, except in the case of direct Air Mails, will be discontinued as from today, and no enquiries of any nature, i.e. personally, by telephone or by letter, as to the time of closing or receipt of any particular mail can be entertained.

## GERMAN TROOPS ENTER SALONIKA: R.A.F. DEFY BAD WEATHER IN DAYLONG RAIDS ON NAZI COLUMNS

GERMAN TROOPS HAVE ENTERED SALONIKA AND CUT OFF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN GREEK FORCES IN EASTERN MACEDONIA AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY, IT IS LEARNED IN LONDON, STATES REUTER.

YUGOSLAV TROOPS ARE FALLING BACK TO SOUTHERN YUGOSLAVIA AND THE GERMANS, ADVANCING FROM RUMANIA, HAVE ALREADY CLAIMED TO HAVE REACHED THE IMPORTANT RAILWAY JUNCTION OF SKOPJE, IN THE NORTHERN SECTION OF THE VARDAR VALLEY.

The Germans have occupied ALEXANDROUPOLIS on the Aegean Sea, four miles west of the Turkish frontier, according to an unconfirmed report from Turkey.

DEFYING BAD WEATHER, R.A.F. MACHINES MADE DAYLONG RAIDS ON GERMAN COLUMNS IN SOUTHERN YUGOSLAVIA YESTERDAY.

## British Troops Have Not Yet Contacted Enemy

These attacks were in the Strumitza area on motor transport and tank columns and they were successful. Lines of communication east of Skopje in Yugoslavia "accomplished exactly nothing," according to reports received in Berne quoted by the NEW YORK TIMES.

LOCAL CHARACTER  
A Yugoslav commune states: "On the northern front, small battles of local character have occurred in the frontier zones. During Apr. 7 and Apr. 8, the enemy again bombed Belgrade from which military elements were evacuated on the first day of the war."

In addition to Belgrade, the enemy bombed Kragujevats, Skopje, Chanas, and Iazarevac. "We have no indication that British troops have yet established contact with the enemy nor is there any indication when that contact will be effected," declared a British military spokesman in Athens.

The Yugoslavs have occupied Leshe, 25 miles south of Scutari, says the Ankara correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

He adds that a second Yugoslav column is advancing from Prizren and is reported to have crossed the eastern Albanian frontier.

The Yugoslav capital has shifted daily.

FLAME-TROWERS  
German paratroops equipped with flame-trowers, who attacked

Salonika had always been lusted after by the Huns but it has not got the same strategic importance it used to have," said MAJOR HASTINGS when he described the Balkan battle front in a broadcast from London yesterday.

Major Hastings added that Salonika was now very vulnerable to air attack from Bulgaria and, according to the disposition of the Allied troops, it was clear that the strategic importance of the town was insignificant.

Major Hastings said that there were two routes to the Aegean Sea—one was through the Struma Valley and the other through the Varba Valley west of Salonika. There was also the Valley of the Strumitza, a tributary of the Struma and it was along this line that the Yugoslavia right wing appeared to have been forced back out of contact with the Greek left wing.

DEPTH OF PENETRATION  
The town of Strumitza itself has already been bombed by the R.A.F. and this gave a fair idea of the depth of the Hun penetration.

One could understand that the southern German forces will develop one of the two-prong drive towards Salonika. "It comes off," said Major Hastings, "then the Greek advance units in Thrace are in some danger."

The German forces have penetrated as far as the sea and that meant that there was extreme pressure on the right flank. It meant also that it exposed the German flank along the Turkish border.

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It is feared that casualties were again heavy. The raiders delivered a double attack, the first short and sharp in which thousands of fire bombs were followed by high explosives, the second a longer raid of considerable intensity.

A hospital, school, hotel and Police station were hit. British night fighters roared up to intercept the invaders and to revenge Coventry's fresh wounds, shooting down six and damaging others. Three raiders hurried to destruction in Warwickshire, Leicestershire and Hertfordshire, respectively.

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# In the World of Sports

## SOFTBALL NOTES:

### SAINTS PLAY ERRORLESS BALL TO ANNEX LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP: TWO HOLIDAY EXHIBITIONS

BY "R.O.Y."

WINDING UP THE LEAGUE SCHEDULE IN FINE STYLE, St. Joseph's played errorless ball against the Recreio Aces, on Sunday last, to take a three-nil decision and with it the local softball championship.

Dismal weather conditions were responsible for the comparatively small crowd that turned out to see the pennant decider which was featured by fine defensive play by both of the contesting teams.

#### ONLY DOUBLE-KILLING

The Rambling Rees lost the toss and consequently batted first, but the Joltin' Joeys opened the scoring in the second stanza with a tally through Jindoo Hussain who singled to left, stole second and third, then crossed the pan on a passed-ball.

In their half of the third, the Saints tallied again through George Souza, who opened the session with a sizzling bingle to right, pluffed second, and rode home on Artur Ozorio's drive to right-field. Ozorio took second standing up, but was nailed at third, becoming the second victim of the game's only double-killing, when Nick Beltrao's return of Zinho Gosano's toes to erase Dave Leonard caught the fleetfooted key-stoner in a close play.

The Ramblers were disposed of in 1-2-3 order in the second, third and fourth frames, but made a

great attempt to avert the whitewash in the fifth. Bertie Gosano started off with a drive to centre on which he failed to advance beyond first base, Nick Beltrao pushed him along with a sacrifice and Bertie went to third on Dickie Alves' infield out to George Souza to Stan Leonard.

With the Portuguese supporters clamouring for a marker, Johnny Fomseca slapped the pill to hurler Frankie Gonzalez to waste the only scoring opportunity the Portuguese lads had during the whole game.

Just to make sure, the Saints tallied again through George Souza in the fifth and brought home the bacon when they followed up by erasing the losers in 1-2-3 order in the last two frames.

#### "RUSSAIN'S PERFORMANCE

Jindoo Hussain came to light with his finest performance of the year, garnering two doubles and a single in his three trips to the plate. George Souza and Artur Ozorio shared the remaining four hits of the Saints' total of seven. Dave Leonard, Stan Leonard and "Ski" Powlowski having no success whatever with the bat. Frankie Gonzalez gave a steady hurling display to hold the losers to two measly singles, which were registered by Zinho and Bertie Gosano, and handled five fielding chances without error.

The dethroned champions also gave a fine display of defensive work but were much too weak in attack to trouble the ultimate winners.

#### TIGHT GAME

The day's programme opened with a tight game between the Shell Oilers and Lacas which ended in favour of the latter by nine tallies to six. Oilers actually lead for half the distance but the Lacas outfit pulled themselves together to make up the leeway and take lead with a three-run rally in the sixth. Triple baggers went to Jesse Arculli and Baby Abbas, the latter also connecting for a double, while the former added two singles to his bag to take batting honours.

The Chinese Baseball Club clinched into a triple tie with Recreio and the Cyclones, when they earned a hard fought 9-8 decision over Prexy Defonso's Filipino aggregation.

With that end-of-the-season spirit very evident, both squads committed numerous miscues in the field, but the winners outthit the losers 8-3 to give Denham Cray his third straight pitching triumph. Willie Wilson was the only batter in the game to connect more than once, his two safeties including a double. Cray, on the mound, fanned nine of the Filipino hitters but was erratic in issuing six free passes.

### TWO EXHIBITION MATCHES

News of the week is that two exhibition matches have been arranged for Easter Monday when the Wildcats, champions of the Ladies League, will meet a representative Rest squad and St. Joseph's, winners of the First Division, take on the Stanley Mohawks, flashy runners-up in the game competition.

The games will commence at 2.30 p.m., and the whole of the proceeds will go to the National Association for Relief of War Orphans (Warphans), Hongkong Branch, which was founded by China's "First Lady," Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

The Mohawk tribe are giving their personal attention to the organising of these matches and it is understood that an added attraction will be the attendance of a full band that will entertain the fans before, between and after the games.

## ALLOTMENT OF CHARITY FUNDS

### Monthly Meeting Of F.A. Council

At the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council held yesterday the following were appointed to serve on the Sub-Committee for the allotment of charity funds collected from the various charity competitions:

Messrs. T. G. Stokes, J. McKelvie, Walter H. Chen, Capt. R. E. Guest and Lieut. Cooper.

Regarding the invitations sent to players for the Macao Interport matches it was revealed that nearly all the players, with the exception of the two Eastern players and Fowler, have accepted.

#### S. CHINA TOUR

A letter was received from South China A.A. seeking permission to make a tour to the Malay States at the close of the season.

Mr. H. K. Lee raised the question of a circular which the Malaysia F.A. had sent last year in relation to foreign touring teams.

Mr. Wong Ka-tsun read the circular which stated that no permission would be given to any of its affiliated clubs to tour any place unless permission had been granted by the controlling body of that place and it went on to say that the Malaysia F.A. would be glad if this could be reciprocated. This suggestion was agreed on by the Hongkong F.A.

The Chairman pointed that in this matter Mr. Lee was right and sanction must first be obtained from the Malaysia F.A. It was decided that the matter be referred to the League Management Committee pending the obtaining of sanction by South China from the Malaysia F.A.

#### RIOT SEQUEL

A letter was received from the Shanghai F.A. informing the local body that in consequence of the football riot there recently 11 players had been suspended for life and appended a list which included the names of three who had appeared in the Colony.

In connexion with the Eastern football riot in Manila the Council decided that the matter be referred to the Emergency Sub-Committee and, in the meantime, to write to the Philippines F.A. asking for a report of the incident.

#### Hockey:

### CLOSE GAMES IN ARMY "SIXES"

### FINALS TO BE PLAYED TODAY

The first round of the Army Six-a-Side Hockey Tourney was played off yesterday at Sookunpoo, when many keenly contested games were seen.

The results were: 2/14 Punjab Regt. "A" beat Royal Signals, 2-0; R.A.O.C. lost to 5th A.A. "A" 0-1; 2/14 Punjab Regt. "B" beat 8th Heavy Battery "A" 3-0; Msex "A" beat 8th Heavy Battery "B" 2-0; 5th A.A. "B" beat C.M. Hospital 3-0; R.E. "B" beat R.E. "C"; R.A.F. beat R.A.M.C.; 5th A.A. "A" lost to 2/14 Punjab "A" by a short corner; and 2/14 Punjab Regt. "B" beat 8th Heavy Battery "C" by two short corners.

The second round will be played at Sookunpoo today, commencing at 2.15 p.m. when the following teams will participate: Punjab Regt. "A" v. Punjab "B"; Middlesex v. 5th A.A. "B"; 5th A.A. "C" v. R.E. "B"; and R.A.F. v. R.E. "A". The finals will be played off at 4.30 p.m. today.

### NO INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

At a meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association held on Tuesday at the European Y.M.C.A., it was decided not to hold the International Tournament this year as Volunteer and other duties made it difficult to organise matches.

It was decided to hold the Six-a-Side Tournament as last year, entries to close on April 16. Entries, accompanied by a fee of \$2 per team, should be sent to Mr. D. T. Smith, Hon. Secretary, at the Harbour Office.

## EFFICIENCY OF COLONY FOOTBALL REFEREES

"The general efficiency of referees was discussed and the Committee are satisfied that the games throughout the season have been conducted without complaint and therefore find no reason to take further action."

The above was the finding of the Special Referees' Sub-Committee, appointed by the Hongkong Football Association to investigate into the efficiency of referees, and who met on March 26, with Mr. T. G. Stokes in the chair. Other members of the committee were Mr. R. E. Omar, Mr. H. K. Lee, Capt. R. E. Guest, Lieut. Cooper and Mr. C. A. Goldenberg (Secretary).

After correspondence from the Referees' Association and a letter from a referee were read, the meeting discussed the question of referees' efficiency at length and it was decided that the following be submitted to the F.A. Council at its next meeting:

#### RECENT MATCH

"With reference to the Kwong Wah and Eastern match we have gone into the matter fully."

"In regard to the only written complaint received this Committee come to the conclusion that the game was conducted in accordance with the Laws of the Game and that the referee carried out his duties to the best of his ability."

"The committee has received a report to the effect that his eyesight is normal."

"The committee recommend that the revival of the system of reports on referees should be carried out during the forthcoming season."

The above minutes of the Sub-Committee were unanimously passed by the H.K.F.A. Council which met yesterday evening.

## "B" DIVISION BADMINTON LEAGUE

### Title Won By St. John's

St. John's won the championship of the "B" Division of the Badminton League at Club de Recreio last night when they defeated Chung Wah by "six sets to three."

H. Hardley and David Kwok (St. John's) beat P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu 21-12, beat C. F. Chiu and S. C. Liang 21-15, beat W. C. Choy and W. H. Choy 21-11.

G. S. Ladd and N. B. M. Whitley (St. John's) lost to Leung and Chiu 9-21, lost to Choy and Choy 2-21.

N. L. Smith and P. Wilson (St. John's) beat Leung and Chiu 21-8, beat Chiu and Liang 21-11, beat Choy and Choy 21-8.

## SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY — R.H.K.C.C. — Easter Meeting

HOCKEY — Army Six-a-side Tournament — Sookunpoo, 2.15 p.m.

TENNIS — Colony Championships, at H.K.C.C.

TOMORROW — Happy Valley Golfers v. Kowloon Golf Club

FOOTBALL — Senior Shield Final, South China v. Navy (Navy ground), 4 p.m. Junior Shield Final, South China v. Service Corps (Navy ground), 2.15 p.m. First Division: Club v. Middlesex (Club), 4.30 p.m. Police v. Royal Scots (Boundary Street), 4.30 p.m. Second Division: Police v. Sing Tao (Boundary Street), 3 p.m. Middlesex v. Club (Club), 3 p.m. Third Division: 35th R.A. v. Engineers (Stanley), 3 p.m. Shell v. International (St. Joseph's), 3 p.m.

RACING — Hongkong Jockey Club's Third Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 11.30 a.m. (First day).

## TENNIS LEAGUE ENTRIES

### REMINDER TO CLUB SECRETARIES

Hon. Secretaries of Tennis Clubs are reminded that entries for the League must reach Mr. C. J. Tach, (c/o Kowloon Cricket Club), Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, by Wednesday, April 16, accompanied by representatives' names (with addresses and telephone numbers) for each division entered.

Registered players for the various divisions must also be sent in according to New Rule No. 4 which states: "At least one week before the commencement of the League season every Club participating in the League shall register with the League Secretary the names of four players as the nucleus of every team entered in the A, B and C Divisions. Such registered players will not be allowed during the season to play in any lower division than that for which they are registered."

## S'HAH VISITORS' CUP GOLF

### STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Tickets were distributed to all softball clubs in the colony yesterday evening and it is hoped that all softballers will give their full co-operation to making this commendable venture a huge success.

The following are the Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanning on Sunday when the Shanghai Visitors' Cup will be played off:

#### OLD COURSE

Time	Match
9.20	K. S. Morrison, T. J. J. Fenwick
9.25	H. H. Mundy, K. S. Robertson
9.30	D. I. Bosanquet, J. L. C. Pearce
9.35	G. M. Park, C. W. B. Bishop
9.40	J. Linaker, J. J. van Muihlen
9.45	W. Stoker, J. R. Way
9.50	A. W. Bourne, R. Young
9.55	J. Harrop, T. Low
10.00	W. J. S. Key, W. W. C. Shewan
10.05	D. S. Edward, A. J. Dennis
10.10	D. S. Robb, S. L. Lloyd
10.15	B. A. Baker Carr, R. Forrest
10.20	A. B. Purves, F. A. Redmond
10.25	F. A. Howard, T. Megarry
10.30	W. N. A. Smalley, A. D. Humphreys
10.35	H. Overy, W. J. E. MacKenzie
10.40	F. D. Hunter, T. A. Pearce
10.45	G. W. Reeve, Col. E. D. Matthews
10.50	J. A. Parrish, W. G. Robertson
10.55	A. McKellar, N. K. Littlejohn

## ATHLETIC MEET AT SHAMSHUPO

### Manson Beaten In Open Half-Mile

Middlesex Regiment and the University held an athletic meeting at the Shumshupo ground yesterday afternoon, the Middlesex outscoring the Undergraduates to win by 30 points to 18.

Outstanding performance of the afternoon was a half-mile run in 2 mins. 10 secs by L/C Heather, of Middlesex Regiment, who triumphed over Pte. Manson of Royal Scots in this event, open to the Colony.

Pte. Lever, of Middlesex Regt., threw the Javelin a distance of 187 feet 3 ins. for the best performance of the afternoon in the field events.

## POLICE PLAYER SUSPENDED

At a meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association held yesterday evening Kong Hing, left winger of the Police second division team, was suspended till the end of the season.

Kong Hing was sent off the field during the first half of the match with Sing Tao on Mar. 28.

## VALLEY TRAINING TIMES

The following times were clocked during training gallops held at Happy Valley yesterday morning:

	Distance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
United Express	1	32.2	1.03	1.31.3	1.59.3	28
Hole In One	1	37	1.06.4	1.35.1	2.05.2	30.1
Happy Returns	1	34.2	1.07	1.39	2.08.2	28.2
Connleber	1	36	1.08	1.39.3	2.07.4	28.1
Centre Court	1	33	1.05.2	1.34.3	2.07.4	28.1
Devonian	1	31	1.01.2	1.31	2.00	29
Bugle	1	36	1.11	1.43.3	2.13.3	29
World Fair View	1	38	1.14.1	1.48.3	2.18.3	30
Australlan Prince	1	32	1.07	1.39	2.08.2	27.2
Confusion Bay	1	34.4	1.08	1.40	2.08.4	28.4
National Courage & National Blessings	1	33.2	1.03.2	1.34.2	2.05.3	31.1
Casino & Macy	1	32	1.01.4	1.32.4	2.03	31
Amusement Tax	1	29.4	1.00.2	1.30.3	2.01.2	30.4
Galveston Bay	1	33.2	1.06	1.37.3	2.08.3	31
Gold Rod	1	32.2	1.03.3	1.34	2.02	30.2
National Victory	1	32	1.01.2	1.30.2	2.02	29
Jané Doe	1	38.3	1.14.2	1.48.2	2.21	32.3
Velvetlight	1	32	1.02	1.33	2.02.2	29.2
Newborn Star	1	38	1.09.2	—	2.08	—
Misty View	1	31	1.00.2	1.27.4	2.02	27.2
Starlight View	1	32	1.01	1.31	2.02	30
Triumphant Day	1	36.2	1.07.2	1.38.3	2.05	28.2
Just In Time	1	32	1.05	1.37.3	2.02	32.3
Sunlight View	1	31.2	1.02	1.34	2.02	32
Sydney Diamond	1	34	1.08.4	1.38.4	2.06.2	29.3
Crack Shot	1	35	1.08.1	1.40.2	2.09.2	29
Avon	1	33	1.06	1.37	2.02	31
King's Worthy	1	34.2	1.06.3	1.41	2.04	34.2
Cheerful Star	1	36	1.05.2	1.35	2.04	29
Johnher	1	34	—	1.35.3	—	—
Endeavour	1	28	1.01.1	1.31	1.59.4	28.4
Roofly	1	32.1	1.03	1.32.2	2.02	29.2
Santa Anita	1	35	1.07.2	1.37.2	2.05	27.3
Hopeful Star	1	35.2	1.07.4	1.39.3	2.03	31.4
Strathbannock	1	33.3	1.10	1.45	2.17.2	32.2
Brown Derby	1	38	1.10	1.40	2.08.3	28.3
Archber	1	37	1.10.3	1.41.3	2.10.4	29.1
A Grand Time	1	32.4	1.03.1	1.32.3	2.01.3	29
Marsh Warbler	1	35	1.08	1.40	2.08.4	28.4
Spiclight & Daylight	1	32	1.03	1.33	2.02	30
Saratoga	1	37.2	1.13.2	1.45	2.18	33
Iron Belle	1	32.2	1.05.2	1.37.2	2.08.2	29
Strathalbyn	1	29.3	1.00	1.29.1	2.01	29.1
Wonderful Scheme	1	34.3	1.05.3	1.38	2.02	28.2
Baffin Bay	1	35	1.08.2	1.39.3	2.08.2	28.4
Corvette & Main Sail	1	34.3	1.06	1.35.3	2.04.2	28.4
Corriedoo & King's Flight	1	32	1.02	1.31.3	2.02	28.4
Starlight & Moonlight	1	33.1	1.05.3	1.36.2	2.05.2	29
Springhurst	1	34	1.04	1.32	2.02	28
Bootal Bay	1	38	1.13	1.44	2.03	31
Celtic Star	1	39.1	1.15.1	1.49.2	2.23.3	34.1
Catterick Bridge	1	34.2	1.06	1.36	2.06.2	30.2
Opbir & Tien Tien	1	36.3	1.08.2	1.37	2.05.2	28.2
King's Welcome	1	29.4	57.2	1.26.2	1.55.2	29
A Happy Time	1	34.2	1.04.1	1.32.2	2.00	27.3
Black Seal	1	34.4	1.08.2	1.38	2.03	29.3
Rose Emily	1	33.1	1.05.3	1.35.3	2.02	30
Galaxy	1	42	1.17	1.51.4	2.21.4	30
Racilyght	1	30	1.00.1	1.31	1.58.2	28.2
Oonagh & Hillsboro Bay	1	35.2	1.12.1	1.44	2.02	32
Wayworth	1	35	1.08.2	1.37.3	2.05.2	27.4
Portrush	1	33.3	1.06	1.38	2.02	32
Gay Fox	1	36	1.07	1.36	2.02	29
O-Lan	1	32.3	1.05.2	1.38.2	2.08	29.3
Odin	1	35	1.14.1	1.51.4	2.24.1	32.2
King Kong	1	33	1.05.2	1.37.4	2.09	31.1
Eve Of Reason	1	34	1.06.3	1.39	2.10.3	31.3
Gloaming	1	31.2	1.02.2	1.31	2.02	28.3
Oolong	1	32.2	1.05.3	1.38.4	2.08	29.1
A Rosy Time	1	30.2	59	1.29	2.02	30
Googly	1	33	1.03.3	1.32	2.02	28.2
Oscar Zilch & Odeon	1	35.3	1.09	1.43	2.17	34
High Hat	1	33.3	1.07	1.39	2.10	31
Blue Field	1	36.2	1.12	1.43.3	2.13	31.3
Corsair & Tobaccoship	1	30	59.2	1.27.2	2.02	28

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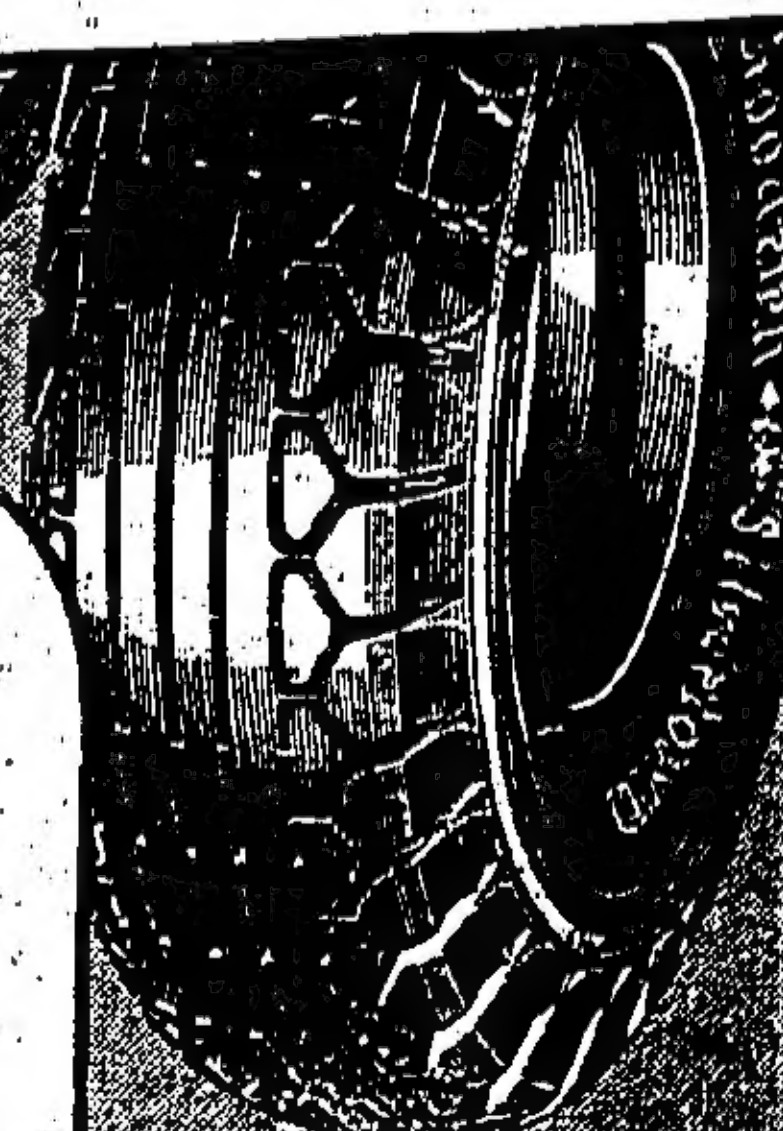
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## GERMANS DRIVING WEDGE BETWEEN YUGOSLAVS AND GREEKS IN STRUMITZA VALLEY

### NAZI MOTORISED UNITS WIPED OUT IN ATTACK ON FORT LISSE

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—The statement in the Greek official communiqué that the Yugoslavs had fallen back on the Greek left wing, leaving it "uncovered" suggests that the Germans are pursuing the same strategy in the Balkans as in France where their drive against the "hinge" of the French and Belgian lines forced a wedge between the north and south Allied armies with results which the world knows, writes Reuter's Diplomatic correspondent.

It would seem that the Germans are now attempting to establish themselves between the Greeks and the Yugoslavs by a lateral thrust along the Strumitza Valley which, if successful, would give access to the Vardar Valley.

It might even be pushed to the Albanian borders so as to link up with the Italians.

But conditions in France were very different from those prevailing in Yugoslavia today. In France not only were there magnificent roads which made travel and transport easy but food and petrol were available at every village and at every cross-road.

In Southern Serbia, the roads are little better than tracks and both petrol and supplies will have to be carried with the advance.

#### INITIAL SUCCESS

Also, in France the wedge formed was so wide and strong that it was proof against the Allied attempts to cut across it. In Yugoslavia, its width is limited by the capacity of the road, which is indeed small.

The Germans appear to have met with some initial success against the Serbs and in the circumstances this was to be expected. Exposed to the whirlwind attack of the Nazi mechanised forces, inadequately equipped with anti-tank weapons and unable to count on effective air support, the Serbians appear to have had a cruel baptism of fire. But they are tough and full of fight with marvellous recuperative powers. It is, therefore, too early to attach undue importance to the German claims.

#### AIMS OF DRIVES

ANKARA, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The main German drive against Yugoslavia is aimed at the vital communication centres of Nish and Skopje in the hope of cutting the Yugoslav army in two, according to usually well-informed sources in Ankara.

Another push is being made from Petrich in the extreme south-western corner of Bulgaria, down the tributary of the Struma River towards Strumica, whence the Germans could thrust across the country towards the valley of the Vardar River.

These sources state that the German forces in Bulgaria consist of four groups. The first has headquarters at Svilengrad, on the Turkish frontier; the second is based on Kustendil near the Yugoslav frontier; the third, in north-west Bulgaria; and the fourth is being held in reserve near Sofia.

The German air force is attacking Yugoslavia with two main air fleets operating from Rumania and Bulgaria.

#### ROME DENIAL

It was emphatically denied in Rome that Yugoslav troops have occupied Fiume, Zara and Scutari, says Rome radio.

#### NAZIS WIPED OUT

Several hundred German troops attempting to move down the Nestos River in rubber boats were caught in the crossfire of Greek forces and wiped out, reports the Athens correspondent of the Independent French agency.

In Monday's fighting the German attacks were held and the Greeks counter-attacked at several points.

The Germans carried out waves of attacks lasting six hours against Perifori fort. The Greeks defending were outnumbered five to one.

Once the Germans succeeded in getting a foothold in the fort, as the Greek High Command communiqué states, but they were flung out after a violent struggle.

#### TANKS DESTROYED

Three attacks were made against the fort of Rupel the last of which was particularly heavy. Each time the Germans were forced to withdraw.

Twelve German tanks were destroyed and several prisoners taken when attacks on the fort of Lisse

were repulsed, and elsewhere motorised units were wiped out by the Greeks, adds the correspondent.

#### ADVANCE INTO SERBIA

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—German troops are continuing their advance into Serbia "despite great destruction of the roads and very difficult country," states the German news agency last night.

"Considerable war materials, including a large number of heavy and medium guns and motorised batteries, have been captured," it claims, adding that large quantities of infantry ammunition fell into the hands of the advancing troops during these operations.

#### BELGRADE CASUALTIES

VICHY, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Several hundred people were killed and about 3,000 injured in two days and night of bombing attacks on Belgrade, according to a dispatch from Belgrade to the Vichy news agency.

The dispatch says that ministerial and industrial quarters, stations and the river port are in flames.

#### YUGOSLAV COMMUNIQUE

BELGRADE, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Belgrade radio station, resumed broadcasting last night at 9.15 (G.M.T.) after being silent since the initiation of the German attack.

The announcer stated that the service would be resumed.

A later message states that Belgrade radio, quoting a Yugoslav High Command communiqué issued last night, states: "On all fronts the situation is in our favour. Enemy attacks have been repulsed with the greatest vigour. This is even admitted by the enemy wireless station."

"Heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy. Our air force achieved special distinction in encounters with the enemy."

#### GERMAN NOTE TO WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Germany sent a new note to the United States reinforcing her protests against the seizure of German merchantmen, according to an announcement by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

#### BRITISH OFFICERS DECORATED

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Six officers of the aircraft carrier *Illustrious* have been decorated for "gallant services against enemy aircraft" according to last night's London Gazette.

The *Illustrious* was hit seven times when attacked by dive bombers in the Mediterranean during January but she succeeded in reaching her base.

One officer receives the D.S.O. and one receives the bar to this decoration. The other four officers receive the D.S.C.

#### LONDON RAID-FREE

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—There was no alert in London up to a late hour last night.

During the day, an enemy fighter was shot down in the Channel.

A few bombs were dropped in the East Anglian coast at midday causing little damage and no casualties, states the Air Ministry.

#### MARCH CASUALTIES

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Air raid casualties in Britain during March total 4,259 killed and 5,557 injured and detained in hospital, the Minister for Home Security announced yesterday.

## KING LEOPOLD'S BIRTHDAY

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—King Leopold of the Belgians, whose birthday occurred yesterday, was described as "our prisoner King" in an Order of the Day issued to his troops by General Van Strijdonck de Burkel, Commander of the Belgian forces in Great Britain.

He urged his men to "work, train and prepare for victory. We shall chase the Boche, we shall deliver our King, we shall free Belgium who will rise again great, united and prosperous."

## MEXICAN MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs has sent a message of sympathy with Greece and Yugoslavia to the Mexican Consul General here yesterday.

The message says Mexico has no diplomatic relations with Greece and Yugoslavia but an official link is not required by two peoples for one to feel moved when the other is dragged into a conflict for the development of which it has no blame.

## BERLIN INTRIGUED BY SOVIET ACTION

STOCKHOLM, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Russo-Yugoslav Pact made a great impression on Berlin.

Political circles there were excitedly speculating on the reason of the Russian action which was "hardly likely to give Berlin the impression that Russia is particularly friendly," states the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm's *Tidningen*.

## DIRTY DENTURES MAY BECOME GERM LADEN



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## C-IN-C PLEASED WITH IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN THE COLONY'S DEFENCES

"THE ONLY WAY WE CAN ENSURE AGAINST ATTACK IN HONGKONG IS TO CONVINCE ANY WOULD-BE ATTACKER that such an operation would be too costly. Our first duty, therefore, is to ensure that all defence preparations are so maintained as to be ready at any moment to work at the highest degree of efficiency. The defences are already strong; much has been done and all credit is due to those responsible, but we must never rest satisfied with the stage that the preparations have reached," said SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East, in a press communique yesterday.

The communique follows:—

Since my last visit in January we have had many successes in the Mediterranean and Africa. In North Africa the proportion of enemy prisoners to our total casualties must constitute a world record; most of the so-called Italian Empire of East Africa is in our hands; in the Eastern Mediterranean one of our fleets has recently sunk five Italian warships without sustaining any damage.

During the last few days, however, events in the Balkans remind us that the war is not yet over and that in the same way as the British people refused to be disheartened by the events in France in May and June last year, and faced apparent disaster with high spirit and calm resolution, so now we must maintain a balanced judgment and not be carried away by success.

### HARD FIGHTING

Admiral Cunningham and his men are not going to rest content with sinking three cruisers and after the Italian fleet has been disposed of there will remain many German ships to be sunk or otherwise destroyed. Hard fighting awaits us in Greece and our aeroplanes do not yet fly unmolested on the Rhine.

This is no time to put on our coats, as the President of the U.S.A. said a few days ago, this is no part of the war; until we have eradicated Hitler and his gangsters, and so saved the world from disaster, we may not rest nor relax. Hongkong threatens no one—nor did Yugoslavia. Strength is the only guarantee against aggression and with the world as it is today, only the strong have friends.

What everyone must remember is that defence is not the concern merely of a Navy, an Army and an Air Force. No place can be considered as being adequately protected unless every man and woman takes his or her full share in active or passive defence.

### CIVIL MILITARY ACCORD

During my two visits to Hongkong I have been very pleased to find that the civil and military authorities are in full co-operation and that all sections of the community are working together admirably.

Secondly, we must ensure that every possible contribution is being made to assist other parts of the Empire and our Allies, and that every resource available locally is being used to its fullest extent. Here again much is being done and I was very pleased to see on my arrival a new ship already launched.

Thirdly, we must reduce by every possible means demands for shipping tonnage to leave it free for conveyance of food and munitions to places more hardily pressed. Remember that people in England are on strict rations of such things as sugar, tea, butter and jam; that women and children are being subjected to more than mere discomfort by air attacks. Every pound of imported goods you can spare means more space available to provide urgent necessities elsewhere.

### WAR EFFORT

Here is a question that everyone should be continually asking himself or herself "Is there any more that I can do to help on the war effort?" No nobler cause than that for which the British Empire is now fighting has ever inspired mankind. Let us ensure that we go to sleep each night secure in the knowledge that during the day we have made our full contribution towards the struggle, confident that should the call come we shall not be found wanting, believing that when the final triumph over the forces of evil has been achieved we shall be able to rest content in the knowledge that as we shared in the toil and sacrifice so we are entitled to share in the glory of victory.

### VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

Since his last visit to Hongkong, Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief, Far East, has been to Australia where he has seen at first hand the impressive increase in

production of Australian aeroplanes and other war material.

From what he there saw of the Australian forces in training, it does not surprise him that the Australian brigade which recently landed in Singapore has very quickly made friends with the Chinese population of Malaya; in proof of the reality of this friendship the Malayan Chinese have erected a special tea garden for the benefit of the Australian troops who are stationed near their homes.

### COLONY'S DEFENCE

The Commander-in-Chief devoted his first trip to Hongkong to the task of becoming generally acquainted with the terrain and to the discussion of the problems of the Colony's defence; during his second trip he has welcomed the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the personnel, both civil and military, charged with the administration of Hongkong.

During his stay, for example, he has had tea with the Indian officers of the garrison, attended a meeting of the Rifle Association, inspected two very smart companies of Chinese Royal Engineers, and had the chance of seeing at first hand the work of many of the civil defence departments.

### MUCH PROGRESS MADE

And he was particularly pleased to have the opportunity of lunching with leading representatives of the local Chinese community.

He has observed with considerable satisfaction the progress that has been made in Hongkong since his last visit. Although much still remains to be done, much has been and is being achieved; he looks forward to evidence of continued improvements on his next visit to Hongkong.

### NEW POLICE CHIEF ARRIVES

Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, formerly Senior Superintendent, Malayan Police Service, arrived in Hongkong yesterday to take up his new appointment as Commissioner of Police.



Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans seen with Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police.

### Comforts For Scotsmen In Services

A recent appeal by the Chieftain of Hongkong St. Andrew's Society for donations to be remitted Home for the purchase of comforts for Scotsmen serving in His Majesty's Forces, resulted in the collection of \$5,737.90.

At a recent meeting of the General Committee of the Society, it was decided to send the equivalent of the above sum, namely, £365.12.7d to the Scottish Red Cross Society, Glasgow, to be devoted towards the provision of parcels for Scottish Prisoners of War serving with the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force.

The Chieftain wishes to thank those members of St. Andrew's Society who so generously contributed



SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM

### H.K. ANTI-T.B. ASSOCIATION

#### ANNUAL MEETING ON APRIL 25

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association will be held in St. John's Cathedral Hall by kind permission of the Very Reverend Dean at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, April 25.

His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., Patron of the Association, has graciously intimated his intention of being present.

The Officers and Members of the Council and Executive Committee of the Association hope that all life and ordinary members of the Association will attend.

The Agenda will include the following items:—To receive and to consider the reports and accounts for the past year; To review and, if thought fit, to revise the policy of the Association; To review and, if thought fit, to revise the Constitution; To elect a Patron or Patrons, President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurers, Auditors and Secretaries; To appoint the Council, the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee; To decide any question of general policy or administration raised upon notice given by any member.

#### COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Council of the Association is to be held at 5.15 on Friday, April 18, in the Legislative Council Chamber by kind permission of the Honourable the Colonial Secretary.

It is hoped that all members of Council will endeavour to attend in order to give the Executive Committee the benefit of their advice and guidance in connexion with the activities in the second year of the Association's work.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:—To confirm the minutes of the last meeting; To receive and consider the report of the Executive Committee on work done by that body; To approve and, if thought fit, pass the Annual Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts submitted by the Executive Committee; To discuss the financial position of the Association and consider any recommendations with respect to the same; To discuss (a) the provision of a sanatorium and (b) Christmas Seal; To consider any matter which the Executive Committee or any member of the Association may bring before the meeting; To fix date of next meeting.

### Kwangtung Dramatic Defence League

A tea party was given by the Kwangtung Dramatic Defence League to the local press yesterday in the Library of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

A full report of their work in the Philippine Islands was given by Mr. Kwan Tak Hing, Chairman of the League, and Mr. Wong, the Secretary. About \$300,000 N.O. and a quantity of medical supplies was collected by them in the P.I. for relief work in China.

In conclusion, Mr. Kwan said that he will sail for America in the near future to carry on his propaganda work for China.

A large tortoise, belonging to Mr. S. T. Williamson, of No. 53, The Peak, has been reported to the Police as lost, stolen or strayed at 11 a.m. on Tuesday by Mr. Williamson's gardener.

## A.R.P. ORDERS

APRIL 9, 1941

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., Director of Air Raid Precautions.

### BLACKOUT EXERCISE

A blackout exercise will be held from sunset to 23.00 hrs. on Thursday, April 17. All Warden will parade under instructions from Divisional Wardens.

### HONORARY WARDEN

Mr. Leung Chuck-wan has been appointed Honorary Divisional Warden in recognition of the valuable assistance he has rendered to the A.R.P. Organisation in the Colony of Hongkong.

### STRENGTH-DECREASE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:—

Yau-matt—2601 Miss Ho Shuk-yin, 2253 Li Yee-shou, 3450 Chiu Wai-kwai, Shamshupo—1917 Miss Tin Man, Central—222 Ho Moon, 287 Lam Tak-lim and 2958 H. F. Sommers, Jr. Quarry Bay—2868 Leung Wai-man, Eastern—2935 To Yuk-shing, 1677 Lai Fun-chin, 718 Sun Chun-chi, 633 Shek Choi-chee. Struck off the Strength—2863 Cheung Po-ming, Quarry Bay, 730 Yuen Kwok-kwan, Kowloon City, 736 Wong Nam-shan, Eastern, 736 So Choi-tong, Eastern.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

2153 P. Wong, Kowloon City, to 44 Peel Street, Top floor, Central. 3541 Ding Fong-hang, Aberdeen, to 196 The Peak, Gough Hill.

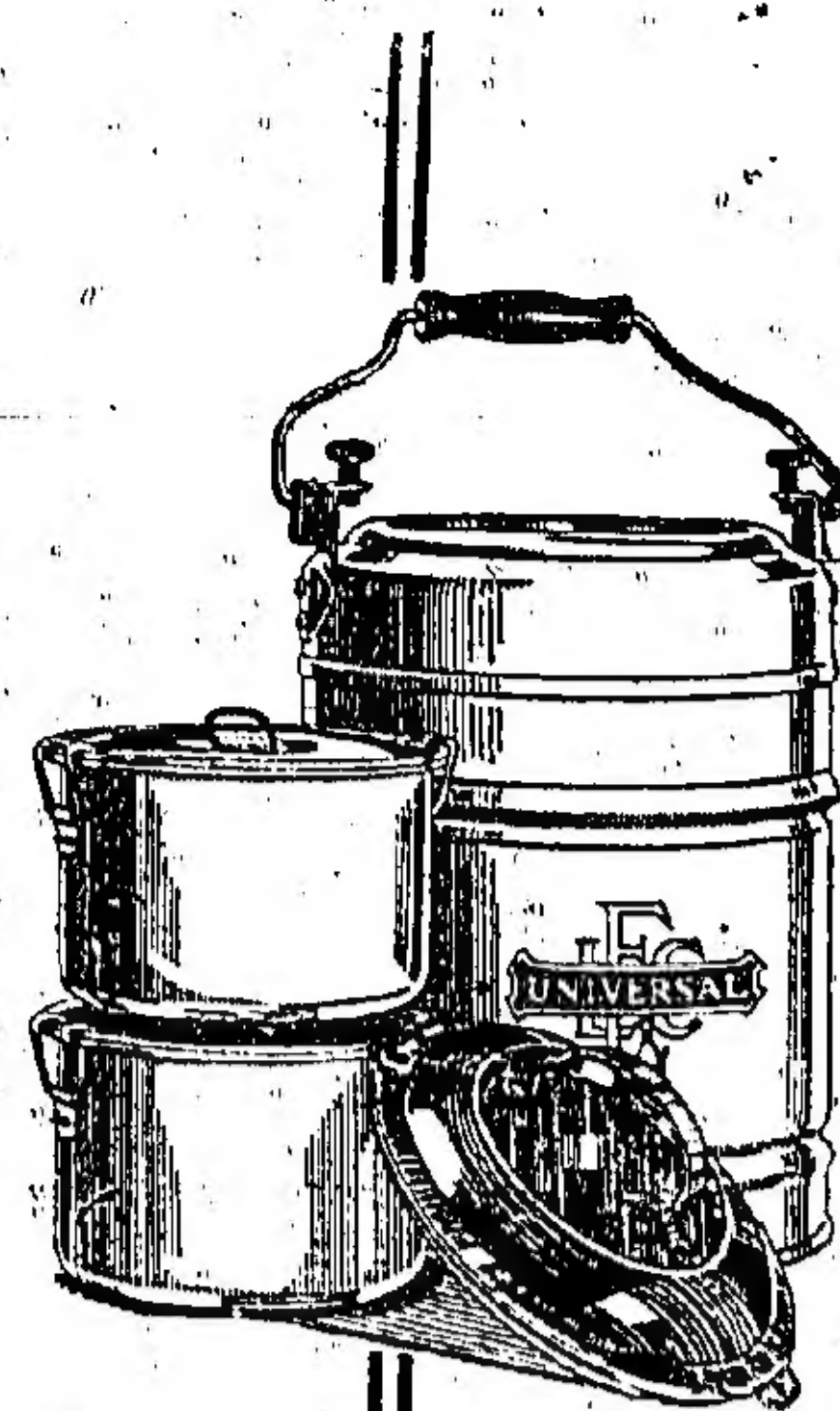
### APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are notified with effect from April 9:—Eastern—Warden 2942 Fung Hon-wah to be Deputy District Warden "C", Upper Levels.—Warden 3094 Koh Nye-poh to be District Warden "E", Eastern.—Warden 868 Au Chung-lu and G/Warden 871 C. K. Chung to be Deputy District Wardens "B", Tsimshatsui.—S/Warden 1550 R. Danenberg to be Deputy District Warden "A".

### PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are notified with effect from April 9:—Eastern—717 Wong Wai-lin to be Senior Warden, S/Warden 1352 Tse Yiu-kow to be Deputy Group Warden, Warden 794 Chan Tak-chuen and 838 Cheung Kit-lun to be Deputy Senior Wardens, Tsimshatsui.—To be Senior Wardens—2683 H. W. Roger, 3112 C. R. Lee and 1660 L. B. Gomes. To be Group Warden—Dep. S/Warden 1564 Lau King-yuen. To be Dep. G/Warden—1684 Sin Hing-moon. To be Dep.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

DUTYABLE COMMODITIES  
ORDINANCE.

An order has been issued and came into force at 2 p.m. today, under the Public Revenue Protection Ordinance which applies the provisions of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance, with the exception of Parts II, III, and IV thereof, to "toilet preparations".

Under this order all "toilet preparations" are dutiable, and duty must be paid upon all stocks in the Colony in other than bonded storage. Dealers, importers, manufacturers and retailers must declare their stocks of goods of this type forthwith to me at this office and pay duty thereon. Stocks in bonded storage or in the hands of manufacturers will be subject to the provisions of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance and to the regulations made thereunder. The sale of "toilet preparations" upon which duty has not been paid, is illegal as from 2 p.m. today.

For the convenience of holders of stocks of these goods and the issue of duty paid labels the Imports and Exports Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon daily during the Easter holidays.

E. W. HAMILTON,  
Superintendent of  
Imports & Exports.  
Dated 10th April, 1941.

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE,  
HONG KONG.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Board Room of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, 1st Floor, Exchange Building on Friday, 18th April, 1941, at 5.30 p.m.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Secretaries & Treasurers.

## BANK HOLIDAYS.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on FRIDAY, SATURDAY & MONDAY, the 11th, 12th & 14th April, 1941. (Easter Holidays)  
Hongkong, 7th April, 1941.

THE HONG KONG, CANTON  
AND MACAO STEAMBOAT  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## Notice to Shareholders.

Notice is hereby given that the ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 24th April, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and re-electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th April to 24th April 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

H. DA LUZ,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 4th April, 1941.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

UNION WATERBOAT  
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## Notice to Shareholders

The Thirty-sixth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building on Tuesday, the 15th April, 1941 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st April to 15th April, 1941 both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.  
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HONGKONG, APRIL 10, 1941.

SOVIET RUSSIA &  
THE BALKANS

THE AIMS of Soviet Russia will prove of immense importance in this Balkan war," said a well-known authority on international affairs in London on Tuesday, when he gave a striking analysis of the war situation in the Middle East. The truth of this view cannot be too strongly emphasised. While the world watches the progress of this new phase in the struggle for freedom against ruthless aggression, it is also well aware that the rather obscure policies of certain countries, who are directly concerned in what is taking place in the Balkans or who have acquired important interests in that region, will now have to be clarified. In other words, has the time now arrived for Soviet Russia to define her attitude towards a conflict which is steadily spreading its tentacles over the whole world? Is the enigma of the Kremlin to be solved? Indications are not wanting which make it possible at least to offer some speculation in answer to these queries.

ANY CONCLUSIONS to be drawn from recent events cannot, of course, be based on the strength of Russia's relations with the Axis Powers, as provided for in their non-aggression pact, but how far Russia will permit this "stand-off" relationship to militate against her own interests. In the Balkans it is evident that the German move has brought about a definite clash of interests. Russia's prompt recognition of this is shown in the pact of friendship which she held out immediately to Yugoslavia, almost simultaneously with the German decision to invade that country, with the object, as military experts have pointed out, of attacking Greece through the back-door. This gesture of holding out the hand of friendship to a nation which administered the severest rebuff to Herr Hitler in the diplomatic field thus becomes most significant. If it was meant to

ISSUE OF WAR SAVINGS  
CERTIFICATES PROPOSED  
FOR HONGKONG

THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF LOW-SALARIED CLERKS AND OTHER WORKERS, who are more than keen to contribute their mite towards helping the British Empire to win the war, but who, because of the smallness of the amount they are able to contribute, hesitate to send it to any organised funds.

There are also many who, though not prepared to give outright, "because, hang it all man, I can't afford it," are, nevertheless, prepared to part with their dollar on loan or on "investment", as was demonstrated by the success of a local lottery.

**PAINLESS METHOD**  
When Great Britain needs every dollar she can lay her hands on, it is up to this Colony to leave no stone unturned to raise as much funds possible for "the common cause".

The question of Government controlled lotteries was frowned upon by the local authorities when it was brought up some time ago as, under the local Gambling Ordinance, lotteries are illegal—even if conducted for the purpose of raising war funds. Further objection to this method of inducing the public to part with their money was voiced by Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, in his Church magazine last month.

Why not try the painless method of WAR SAVINGS

**CERTIFICATES?** Judging by reports from the Home country, and elsewhere, War Savings Certificates are extremely popular with all classes of people, and even with school children, as a recent cabled report of a child bringing £150 with him to school to buy Certificates showed.

**GILT-EDGED SECURITY**  
To be successful locally, Certificates should be issued in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10, \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1,000 in order that every man, woman, and child might participate in this form of savings, and not have it confined to the rich members of the community. These could be issued under the same terms and conditions as those in Great Britain, and sold exclusively by the Post Office.

Besides being a gilt-edged security, this form of "painless extraction" will give offence to none, but, on the contrary, will receive the blessing of the Church and the public in general.

INCREASE FOOD  
PRODUCTION

Since the advent of spring, Hunan has been favoured with ideal weather conditions thereby giving rise to hopes for a bumper harvest this year.

Acting under the direction of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, the Hunan Provincial Government has mapped out a comprehensive plan for increasing food production. The plan has been distributed to the 75 districts of the province, and with its execution the yield of the rice crop this year is expected to be increased by 4,234,000 more piculs. (Central News)

convey a warning to the German Fuehrer, the manner in which Herr Hitler has chosen to ignore it might show one of two things—either that Herr Hitler is sure of his hold on Moscow and, therefore, is convinced that M. Stalin will not oppose him, or that, in his blind fury over the setbacks he has received, he is even prepared to risk the possibility of the Soviet "deciding to align herself against him."

**THE REAL CLUE** to this uncertainty of which way Soviet policy is shifting may lie in the results of the flying visit Mr. Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, has made to Moscow and the Axis capitals. There is no doubt that one clear object of Mr. Matsuoka's visit to Berlin was to impress upon Herr Hitler the need for using his influence on M. Stalin in order to secure a non-aggression pact between Russia and Japan. This must, indeed, have been one of Mr. Matsuoka's conditions, if Herr Hitler insisted on Japan taking a more active role in the Axis adventure. Doubts about such an eventual alliance have, however, arisen not only in the outside world, but in Japan itself, where a section of public opinion seems to be in strong opposition to relying too much on the possibility of an adjustment of relations with Soviet Russia, in consequence of which Japan might be further involved in assisting the Axis Powers. From the Soviet capital itself, there has been no indication of any inclination to take orders from Berlin on this issue. Though there is some food for thought in the suggestion that Mr. Matsuoka may prolong his stay as M. Stalin's guest, what cannot be overlooked in trying to solve the riddle of the Kremlin is

## CORRESPONDENCE

## ESCORT BUREAUX

To the Editor, H.K. Daily Press.

Sir—I read with a good deal of interest the interview which your reporter had with Miss Phyllis Harrop, the Lady Assistant to the S.C.A.

I agree to a certain with her view with regard to registration, but I do not agree with her when she said "This step might, of course, result in the establishing of 'sly' bureaux. But we can always combat this by raids and charging the keepers with keeping an unlicensed bureau." If she could combat "sly bureaux," why cannot she combat "sly brothels"? There are many of these in the Central District alone (I do not care to say how many) and they are doing business day and night quite openly.

Neither do I agree with her when she said "The funniest thing about some of the escort girls is that many of them are entire strangers to Hongkong. If they could not find their way around the place themselves, how could they act as escorts?"

The answer is very simple. These girls are practically the same as the other "girls." The only difference is that, while each of the girls at West Point and at the sly brothels are paying about \$40 every month for "protection fees," these girls are not paying anything. The reason is that their business is legitimate in the eyes of the law.

In writing this letter, it is not my intention to give an impression that Miss Harrop does not know her job well. As a matter of fact, I think she has done very well so far, despite the many difficulties.

Yours, etc.,  
A HONGKONG PLAYBOY.

YELLOW RIVER  
DYKES

SHANGHAI, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—The Nanking regime is seeking the co-operation of the Chungking Government regarding the problem of repairing the Yellow River dykes quickly in order to prevent serious floods in Kiangsu and Anhwei, according to Chinese press reports.

A Nanking official is reported to have stated that Chungking must co-operate since some of the dykes are in Chungking-controlled areas.

It is stated, however, that hitherto no telegraphic request has been formally made by Nanking to Chungking.

that the Soviet has openly shown her resentment of the German thrust in the Balkans. In such a mood, it is doubtful whether she will be prepared to agree to a situation which will effectively tie her hands in the East and the West.

GRAND HOLIDAY  
ATTRACTION FOR  
KING'S THEATREFast-Paced Action In  
"The Mark Of Zorro"

"The Mark Of Zorro," a story of old, aristocratic Spanish California, made famous by the late Douglas Fairbanks, returns to the screen once more to entertain local movie audiences as a holiday attraction at the King's Theatre.

The California of the dashing caballero and the sleepy peon seethes with the indignation of one and all as a greedy usurper rules the land from the hacienda of the governor. The peasants tremble at the whip of the tax-collector. The well-to-do landowners dare not question the authority of the villainous Luis Quintero (J. Edward Bromberg) and his sabre-waving lieutenant (Basil Rathbone).

On the scene arrives Don Diego, son of the deposed Governor, returned from Spain to find the "land of growing vines and fat babies" suffering under the heel of the fat alcaide, Diego (Tyronne Power), meets first the lieutenant, then the alcaide, then the latter's flirtatious wife (Gale Sondergaard). He glimpses for a second the fair senorita (Linda Darnell).

**PERIOD OF SECLUSION**  
The senorita is warned by the Senora that it takes but little effort for one so young to be whisked away to a convent for another period of seclusion, there to cool her romantic blood.

She rebels and the story unfolds at a faster and faster pace. Diego becomes the bandit Zorro. Romantically, offering a rose, he captures the fair senorita's heart. The flirtatious Senora seeks his approval of her own charms. She wants to run away with him to Madrid.

There are a host of other characters, principal among them Eugene Palette in another Friar Tuck role. There is action galore, sword-play, suspense, everything in short—that makes for a grand show.

In the end—(Don't try to guess)—Zorro gets his girl, and all's well that ends well.

## DEATH MYSTERY

Mystery surrounds the death of an unidentified Chinese, about 40 years of age, whose body was found on a hillside near San U Ling village in Sheungshui District last Friday.

An examination of the body revealed two bullet-slugs in the back of the head that were apparently discharged from a large game-hunting gun.

Police believe the man may have been accidentally shot by hunters.

POLICE TRAINING  
INSTITUTE

A Police Training Institute has been established in Kwangsi by the Kwangsi Provincial Government with Mr. Chiu Chang-wei, Kwangsi Commissioner of Civil Affairs, as director. Classwork will begin on April 16.—(Central News)

DR. QUO TAI-CHI REITERATES  
CHINA'S WAR AIM

"China is as determined to see things through until complete victory for Democratic civilisation as Britain and America can be," declared the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, in London yesterday. Dr. Quo added: "And no specious promises or military pressure can alter that fixed resolve."

The Ambassador was making his last public appearance in London before his return to China to become Foreign Minister.

He was speaking at the Anglo-Chinese luncheon in aid of the Red Cross Fund and the Chinese War Relief Fund.

The returning Ambassador will be succeeded by Dr. Wellington Koo, and remarked that he regarded his journey to China as simply going from one front to another in the same war.

Dr. Quo said Britain and China had a lot in common.

"The British and Chinese are supposed to be a bit hard to know. The British are supposed to be phlegmatic and the Chinese inscrutable but when we come to know each other, responsiveness in human kindness is found to be the chief trait."

Britain and China had a lot to learn from each other, though some said they were the two most satisfied and self-sufficient peoples mankind had ever known and the least inclined to think they could learn anything from anybody else.

**PRESS TRIBUTE.**  
Few ambassadors have had so remarkable experience as Dr. Quo

GERMAN ATTEMPT TO END  
TWO-FRONT WAR BEFORE  
IT BECOMES A MENACE

"The German army will make every effort to end the war on two fronts before it has had time to develop into a really serious menace, and this effort of theirs will no doubt be immensely formidable," said MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., when he analysed the war situation in the Middle East and the Balkans in a broadcast from London yesterday.

Mr. Bartlett said that it has been known for some time that a British army was landed in Greece, but the fact had not been made public until last Monday morning when it was stated that this army consisted of British, Australian and New Zealand troops, and that the R.A.F. would be strongly reinforced.

**LONG EXPECTED**  
"The day before," continued Mr. Bartlett, "the Germans had begun a simultaneous attack against Greece and Yugoslavia. This attack was long expected though I, myself, thought that the Germans would not have had time to make sufficient preparations for it. I felt that with the great heights on the Yugoslav frontiers an extension of their plan of attack would have been delayed."

Mr. Bartlett went on to say that large withdrawals by Yugoslav forces, and initial abandonments would not be surprising. Much of Yugoslavia was the sort of country which was particularly suitable for German armoured formation and there were only a few obstacles at this time of the year. The Bulgarian frontier was, of course, more vital.

"What I am going to talk about today is our action in sending this new army to Greece," said Mr. Bartlett. "We can take it that the decision was reached when the Germans occupied Bulgaria. It was obvious that whatever their immediate object they were up to no good, and Yugoslavia may have been bullied into lending itself to Germany's purpose. As you all know the former Government was so bullied but the country then repudiated the disgraceful terms made in Vienna."

**FIRST REASON**  
"The first reason for our despatching an expeditionary force to Greece was to help that country," continued Mr. Bartlett, "but I am certain it was a right one, and inevitable and necessary. It was obviously taken into account by Yugoslavia when she made her fateful and noble decision to resist."

Mr. Bartlett went on to describe what he thought the main developments were likely to be. Many of these might be outside General Wavell's control. There was the maintenance which was likely for this army in the Balkans, and also the maintenance of extra supply routes for shipping. The Germans were aware of this. The advance which was made to meet the Germans was to try to prevent their over-running a territory which would bring them closer to Egypt and the Suez Canal.

"These South-Slav people (that is the meaning of the word Yugoslavia) have never lacked good generals. Their general staff is studying the war carefully and I look forward to seeing the present generation producing men of the quality of the illustrious figures of generations ago."

\$15,000 BROOCH  
LOST

The loss of a diamond brooch, valued at \$15,000, somewhere between No. 403 Repulse Bay Road and No. 517 The Peak between 7.30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Tuesday had been reported to the Police. The brooch is shaped like that of an R.A.F. officer's wing badge studded with diamonds set in platinum.

## COLONY THANKED

A telegram has been received through the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from the Lord Mayor of London acknowledging receipt of £115,738 recently remitted by the B.W.O.F. from the proceeds of the Hongkong Police Force and Police Reserve Dance, in aid of air-raid distress. The telegram reads: "Gratefully acknowledge gift my fund convey donors sincere appreciation."



## Harder Fight For Defence Of Cyreneica And Egypt

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to the Balkans, that Greece had been ready to fight alone, if necessary. The British and Imperial Forces which had landed there had not yet been in action.

Mr. Churchill then described how German troops had poured into Bulgaria in large numbers. One of the objectives was Salonika which was entered at 4 a.m. yesterday.

"It has never been our intention or policy to see the war carried into the Balkans," said Mr. Churchill who went on to state that Mr. Eden, the Foreign Secretary, and General Sir John Dill, would have gone to Belgrade but were refused permission by Prince Paul, the then Senior Regent.

If these three Balkan States had stood together they would have had 60 to 70 divisions and with good planning might have stopped the Germans and would, in any case, have long delayed them.

### AT ALL COSTS

Allied aid would necessarily have to be limited but the Greek Prime Minister had told Mr. Eden that Greece would, at all costs, defend her frontier and native soil and that she would fight to the death against Italy and Germany.

"Our duty was clear," added Mr. Churchill. "We were bound in honour to give all the aid in our power and if the Greeks were to face the fury of the Huns the British Empire was resolved to stand by her. Therefore, in the first weeks of March, we made a military agreement with Greece and considerable forces of men and material were sent."

Mr. Churchill here revealed that PRINCE PAUL refused to enter into Staff talks with either GREECE, TURKEY or BRITAIN.

Turning to YUGOSLAVIA, the Premier said that the Yugoslav Government had signed the Tripartite Pact but the people had seen their peril and had resolved to defend their freedom.

The open city of Belgrade had now been laid in ashes and the

Germans had started a tremendous drive west into South Yugoslavia.

### STRENGTH OF R.A.F.

Referring to the AIR ATTACKS on Germany, the Prime Minister said that there had been a marked improvement in the relative strength of the R.A.F. compared with that of Germany. There was also an increase in bombing capacity and the power and size of bombs. Some of the air raids have already been more severe than anything in any single raid on a single night experienced in Britain.

In the BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC, Britain's losses of ships had been very heavy but since the beginning of the war we have sunk two million tons of enemy shipping and we ourselves have lost nearly four million tons but against that we have under the British flag nearly three million tons of foreign, neutral and newly-built ships.

With regard to the future, Mr. Churchill said that the only way to get through 1942 was by another gigantic shipbuilding programme in the United States similar to that of 1918.

### U-BOAT OFFENSIVE

LONDON, Apr. 9 (BWS)—An Admiralty communique states: "Our offensive against U-boats continues with ever-increasing vigour. As has been pointed out, fluctuations in the success of our anti-U-boat campaign and in merchant ship losses which we sustain, must be expected."

"The number of U-boats operating has lately been large and our counter measures have recently met with a correspondingly greater success. In anti-U-boat warfare, it is frequently impossible to save life and we have a record of the many U-boats that have been destroyed from which no prisoners were recovered."

"Nevertheless, we have in our hands, as prisoners of war from U-boats, which have been sunk, more than 50 German officers and considerably over 400 German Petty officers and men. There are also in our hands a number of prisoners of war from Italian U-boats."

## SOFIA OBJECTIVES HEAVILY ATTACKED BY THE R.A.F.

ATHENS, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Heavy raids by formations of R.A.F. bombers on enemy positions in Bulgaria during the night of April 8 are reported in a communique issued by the headquarters of the British forces in Greece.

It says that a railway junction and marshalling yards in Sofia, were attacked successfully, direct hits causing many fires and explosions in the railway yards and industrial area. Railway trucks were seen to be hurled into the air.

Lorries in the Struma Valley road were machine-gunned. Another formation bombed the railway station at Gorna Djumajra, where fires were started.

At Simlitli, the railway station and road junction, a motor transport convoy and troop concentrations were attacked. Bombs straddled the railway and road, exploding near some sheds and causing many fires. A motor transport convoy was successfully machine-gunned.

### PETRICH BOMBED

The town of Petrich was also raided by our bombers but the full results could not be observed owing to smoke from numerous fires in the area.

Yesterday in bad weather, our bombers, escorted by fighters, attacked a large motor transport concentration (near Strumica). Direct hits were registered in the centre of it.

Our fighters intercepted an enemy bomber, severely damaging it.

From all operations, all our machines returned safely.

### RAID ON SOFIA

"I should not have liked to be anywhere near the Sofia railway station on Sunday night as the neighbourhood of the railway junction must have been particularly unhealthy," said one of the R.A.F. pilots on his return from a raid on Sofia.

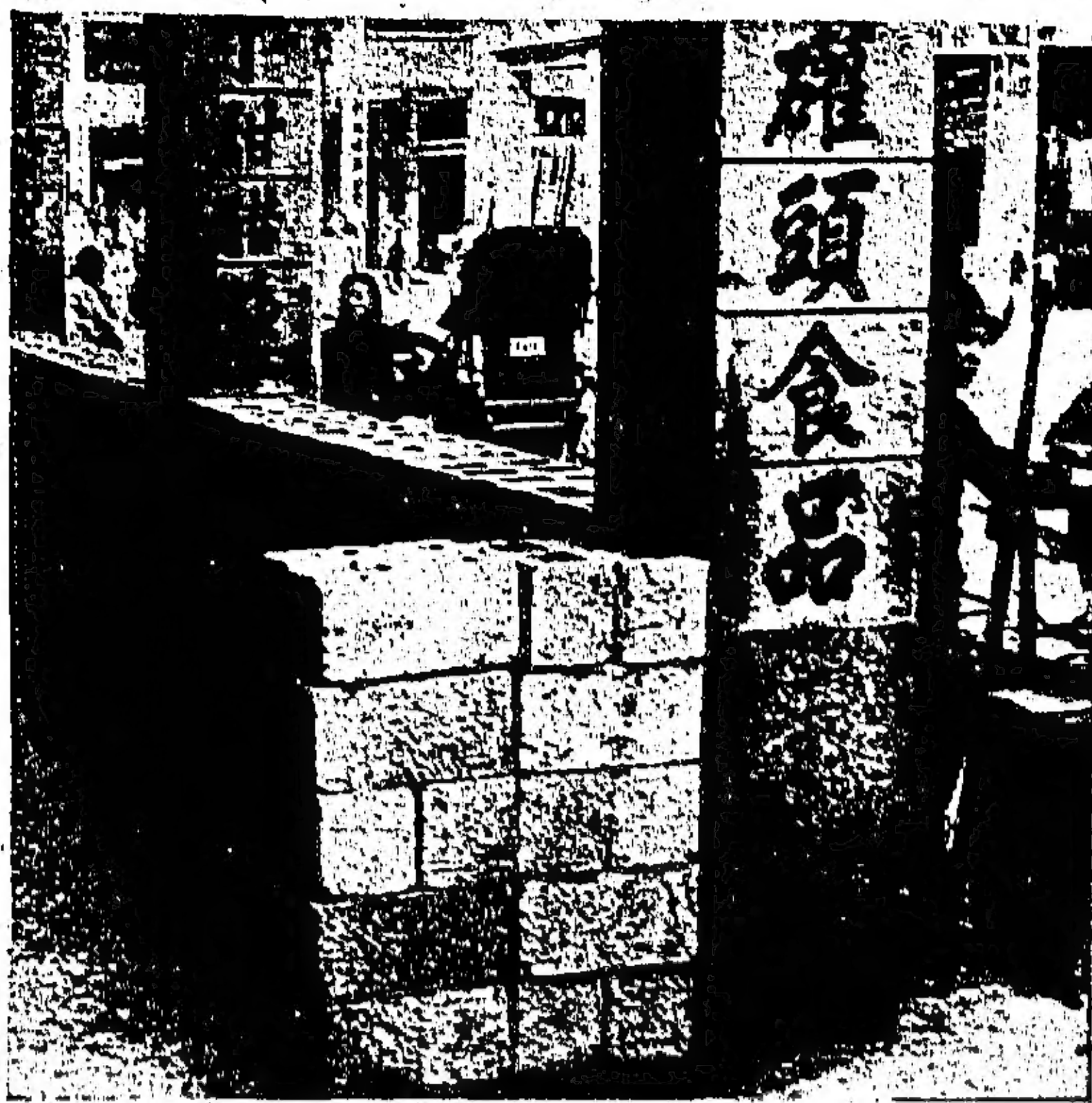
He continued: "One stick of bombs from our aircraft scored direct hits on the tracks and we saw trucks being hurled into the air. It was good bombing all right. We were not the only ones to score because we saw a continuous white glow where the station buildings of Sofia should have been when we arrived."

### BEACON FIRES

"My navigator was saved much trouble by the fires which guided us to our target. It was a small edition of the fires which burn every night in the Ruhr. The front gunner, put paid to the crews of a couple of search-lights and anti-aircraft gun before we got down to business."

"The anti-aircraft fire was pretty intense but we got to our targets all right and bombed and stayed to watch the results. Then we had a crack at the convoys on the road, down the Struma Valley, machine-gunning them. After that, we made for home."

## A NEW EXPERIMENT



Concrete bunding being erected on a block of Chinese tenement houses in Lockhart Road, Wanchai, near the National Theatre. —(Sun Ying Ming).

## "If Balloon Goes Up In The Pacific": C-in-C On S'pore Base

SINGAPORE, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, told a gathering of Pressmen yesterday that "if a balloon goes up in the Pacific, we will get powerful naval reinforcements and get them quickly regardless of whether the United States comes in with us."

Sir Geoffrey said that he has not received or expected reinforcements for his units at present safeguarding the Eastern sea lanes, and Hongkong and the Singapore bases, but in the event of emergency, units would come quickly enough and in sufficient strength to permit effective defensive actions, while a full battle fleet could reach Singapore within two months.

He is of the opinion that there will be no difficulty in accommodating any part of the U.S. Fleet at Singapore base tomorrow. If the occasion demanded as the stronghold is prepared to serve a battle force as a supply, repair and operating base.

## Refugees In The Colony

An increase of 254 in the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government camps etc., in the urban and rural areas is recorded in the returns for the week ending on April 5.

Urban Areas:  
King's Park — 1,303 against 1,308 on March 29.  
Ma Tau Chung — 1,572 against 1,499 on March 29.  
North Point — 1,522 against 1,525 on March 29.  
Morrison Hill — 518 against 519 on March 29.  
Urban Areas (Squatters' Camps):  
Tai Hang — 2,557 against 2,557 on March 29.  
Ngau Tau Kok — 801 against 802 on March 29.  
Rural Areas:  
Kam Tin — 2,067 against 1,889 on March 29.  
Fanning Children's Camp — 327 against 314 on March 29.  
Total — 10,667 against 10,413 on March 29.

## Verdict Of Suicide Recorded

BOMBAY, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A verdict of suicide was recorded at the inquest into the death of Hiroji Uemura, manager of the Bombay branch of the N.Y.K. who was found dead at his residence. It was revealed at the inquest that the body was discovered hanging in the bath-room in the flat occupied by Uemura.

In granting the motion, His Lordship said that as no steps had been taken in the past 18 months in obtaining administration by those who normally have charge of the duty, plaintiff, as creditor of the deceased, was entitled to the grant of letters of administration.

## U.S. WILL NEVER FORGET

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt has sent the following letter to Crown Prince Olav of Norway.

"On this anniversary of the treacherous German attack on a peaceful neighbour we want you to know and through you, your father the King and people of Norway, that America will never forget your gallant fight against invasion and the continuance of this fight to regain Norwegian independence."

"Neither will America ever forget the fundamental underlying right of the Norwegian people to work out in their own way, their own lives and destinies, in the days to come, as they have done for many centuries past."

## PUBLIC APPEAL FOR RECRUITS

OTTAWA, April 9 (Reuter)—The first public appeal for recruits to services since the beginning of the war has been made in Canada.

At least 116,000 men are wanted during 1941.

In a broadcast, Col. Ralston, Defence Minister, said that the events of the last week-end have more than necessitated keeping Canada's overseas forces up to strength.

## ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATE

## ACTION BROUGHT AT SUPREME COURT

A motion for grant of letters of administration relating to the estate of the late Li Sau-wah, otherwise spelt Li Shau-wah, formerly of No. 1 Shin Hing Street, second floor, deceased concubine, was brought before the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The plaintiff was Chan Yun-lan, who was represented by Mr. George She; instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, and the defendants cited were Wu Kiang-kwong, Wu Wing-hong and Wu Ching-mei.

Mr. She said: "I appear on behalf of plaintiff, Chan Yun-lan, to move that letters of administration may be granted to her from the estate of the late Li Shau-wah, concubine deceased, who died on Sept. 12, 1939. The ground for this motion is that plaintiff is a creditor of the said deceased."

### PERSONS CITED

Mr. She added that another ground was that the husband and children of the deceased had taken no step to administer the estate. Persons had been cited in the citations and these had been duly served but they had not come forward.

In granting the motion, His Lordship said that as no steps had been taken in the past 18 months in obtaining administration by those who normally have charge of the duty, plaintiff, as creditor of the deceased, was entitled to the grant of letters of administration.

## Sandbags A "Sheer Waste Of Money": Experiments With Bunding In H.K.

BY A STAFF REPORTER

THE LOCAL A.R.P. DEPARTMENT IS, AT LONG LAST, EXPERIMENTING WITH (OR, CAN IT BE SAID, ADOPTING?) A NEW METHOD OF ACCORDING PROTECTION TO BUILDINGS, which is more durable and, in the long run, more economical than the use of sand-bags. This new form, known as BUNDING, has been adopted by nearly all the leading cities, including Singapore, after it had been found to be as effective as the old-fashioned and costly sand-bags.

Bunding consists of cement, brick or wooden walls which are easily built and quickly raised. They are usually five feet high and erected between pillars of a building—as in the case of sandbags. They afford the same protection as sandbags—offset the effects of bomb concussions and protection against splinters—with the additional advantage of not being subject to deterioration as sandbags.

### BIG SAVING

When it is realised that the majority of the sandbag walls put up on the outside of important Government buildings have, since their erection, been changed at least twice; and that the cost of gunny bags is between 17 to 20 cents each and that one cubic yard of sand, costing \$1.50, will only fill 54 of these bags, the savings effected could readily be seen.

As stated above, bunding may be of cement, brick or wood. For the cement variety, a little cement, lime and sand are all that is required. These materials could easily be brought to the door and the blocks that form the bunding walls built right on the spot, in specially-made moulds, the design of which is standardised.

The brick variety, though slightly cheaper, is as strong as the cement type but takes longer to build. Wooden bund consists of two walls of wooden planks a foot or 18 inches apart, with sand filled in between.

### WORSE THAN USELESS

The consensus of opinion of those approached by a Hongkong Daily Press reporter on the question of sandbag walls was that these are worse than useless, when the possibility of being involved in actual warfare is as remote as in Hongkong.

"These sandbag erections are a sheer waste of money," said a Government official. "Those outside my office have already been changed once, and will soon have to be changed again."

## EIGHT GOALS FOR CLUB

CLUB gave a severe trouncing to KWONG WAH, in a First Division football encounter yesterday winning by eight clear goals.

In the first half Club scored through Rietsen and Fowler. After the interval, the Chinese fell away badly and Club netted through Fowler (3), Rietsen (2) and Bond.

For the losers, Lee Kwok-kee, in goal, gave a sterling display. CLUB:—Odell, Millington, Sloan; Odell, Upton, Skinner; Haynes, Forrow, Fowler, Bond and Rietsen.

KWONG WAH:—Lee Kwok-kee; Chung Fai-lam, Leung Pak-wai; Cheung Wing, Chung Kim-fai, Wong Wah-gay; Loong Chi-lam, Tin Yung-fat, Chin Chi-fun, Cheuk Shek-kam and Wong King-chung.

## BIRTHDAY OF HOLY PROPHET MOHAMMED

The anniversary of the birthday of the HOLY PROPHET MOHAMMED was celebrated by the local Muslim community with a Ma'lood Sharif (prayer service) at the Mosque, Shelley Street, last night.

There was a very large attendance and the prayers were led by Mulvi Mohamed Noor Shah who also delivered a lecture on the life of the Holy Prophet.

Prayers for world peace and for success to the Allied cause were also offered by the congregation.

## PASSION MUSIC

A song service was held in St. John's Cathedral yesterday when the Choir rendered a programme of Passion music with hymns.

The programme included the singing of Bach's "Jesus called unto them the Twelve," Prelude and Fugue in D. Minor and a selection from Brahms's Requiem. How lovely are thy dwelling fair."

Dean Wilson conducted the service.

## REGISTRY WEDDING

At the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday Miss Chan Mo-ching, of No. 55 Queen's Road West, first floor, was married to Mr. Poon Wah-kan, latter, of No. 30 Yat Tak Road, second floor. Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiated at the ceremony.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The forthcoming marriage of Mr. Mak Joeng-tiang, gold smith, of No. 6 Lung On Street, and Miss Sing Wai-hing, of No. 4 Wellington Street, is announced.

## THE OLD METHOD



Sandbags in an advanced state of deterioration seen outside the Supreme Court.—(Sun Ying Ming).

## Severe Test For Tsui In Open Tennis

TSUI WAI-FUI, ex-holder of the Open Singles title, received his severest test; at the Stand Court yesterday when GEORGE CHOA, a promising young player, fully extended him. Tsui won 4-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Both players started cautiously and the first game went to Tsui after no less than ten deuces had been called.

Choa was playing very well in the first set but Tsui put on pressure in the second. Choa appeared tired in the final set.

In the only other Open match, H. D. Rumjahn easily overcame Pang Oi-lam by 6-3, 6-2.

The following were the results of Club matches:—

Heap Doubles: T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould beat G. W. Sewell and D. M. Macdougall 6-4, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles: J. Theobald and Mrs. Torrible beat Dr. A. H. Barwell and Mrs. Oxlade 9-7, 6-4.

Heap Singles: J. Stirling Lee beat E. R. Childe 4-6, 6-0, 8-2.

### TODAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Doubles: Paul Kong and Fung Yee-pui v. W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher.

Club Singles: T. C. Monaghan v. Capt. R. E. Guest.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN NAVAL LIAISON

### Purchases, Repairs To Be Expedited

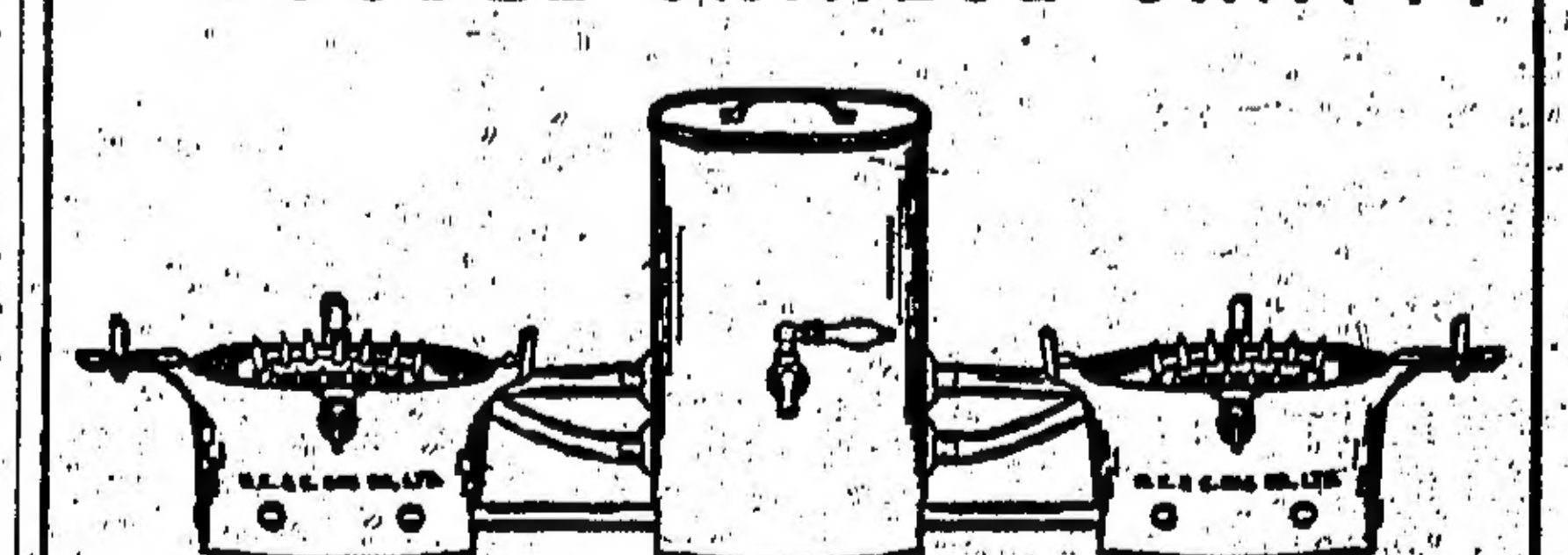
WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Under-Secretary of the Navy, Mr. James Forrestal, is leaving for Britain in about a fortnight "to establish close liaison" between the Navy Department and the British Admiralty on matters connected with the Lease and Lend programme.

In making this announcement, the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, said that the Navy Department was handling purchases of material in the United States for the British Navy under the Lease and Lend Act and was also undertaking repairs to British warships.

"Efforts are being made very rapidly to establish suitable uniformity in naval equipment," added Colonel Knox, who explained that the object was to expedite purchases and repairs.

One of the chief purposes of Mr. Forrestal's trip to Britain, according to naval circles, would be to see if some method could be found whereby the British could use more American naval weapons and other equipment not standard in the Royal Navy.

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## POSSESSION OF PREMISES

## Hearing Adjourned To Next Month

A claim for the possession of the second floor of No. 32, Staunton Street was brought before Mr. Justice E.H. Williams at the Summary Court, yesterday by Hung Suk-hing, spinster, of No. 9, Weng-chong Road, against her former tenant, Chan Man, now residing at an unnumbered house at the junction of Hill Road and Pokfulam Road.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. H.L. Kwan, while Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the defence.

Plaintiff claimed possession of the premises which were let to defendant at a monthly rental of \$40 on a monthly tenancy which was duly terminated by notice to quit expiring on Feb. 13. Plaintiff also claimed two months' rent (\$80) in arrears, mesne profits and costs of the action.

## PREMISES NOT SUB-LET

Hung Suk-hing stated, in evidence, that Chan Man had not sub-let any part of the premises. On Dec. 21 her rent collector went to the premises. As the result of a message received she also went there and discovered that Chan Man and his family had removed but there was another man there. She later gave notice to defendant to quit.

On Jan. 18 Wong Ha-sang, the present tenant, came to see her and asked for the tenancy of the premises but she refused.

## TOO MANY PEOPLE

Cross-examined by Mr. Silva witness said that the object of the present proceedings was not for an increase of rent but not to dirty the premises by having too many people living in it. She denied that she had asked that the rents be increased to \$65.

After further corroborative evidence had been called hearing was adjourned to May 8 at 2.30 p.m.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified, as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Tuesday:—Cholera, six cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, six cases; Enteric Fever, two cases; Measles, six cases; Tuberculosis, 36 cases.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Police constable C465, Leung Shing-man, 23, was sent for trial on charges of demanding money with menaces and of accepting a bribe, and Kwok Choi, alias La Cha Mau, 22, unemployed, on the first charge by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday, when committal proceedings were concluded.

First defendant was also charged with leaving his beat without permission, but this charge was withdrawn yesterday. It was alleged that defendants demanded \$30 from one Yung Hau at Des Voeux Road West on Mar. 21.

Det.-Sgt. R. Macvey prosecuted. "TSE FA" GAMBLING

Six unemployed were charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with keeping common gaming houses for the purpose of "tse fa" at various addresses in Wanchai and West Point on Apr. 8 and fines ranging from \$50 to \$75 were imposed.

Wong Tak, 38, and Li Tim-chung, 21, failing to appear had their bail of \$50 each estreated.

Accused were Kwan Shun, 28, Chan Kai, 30, Fung Hung, 32, Cheung Ken-wai, 17, No. 135, Belcher Street, ground floor, was remanded until today for further enquiries.

Det. Sub-Ins. F. W. Fowle and Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

Table money aggregating \$16.45 picked up in the raids was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

## STUDENT REMANDED

Lo Ying, 21, unemployed, who represented himself as a former student of King's College, was charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with receiving a fountain pen and a waistcoat, knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison said that the articles were stolen from a room in the building while a meeting was in progress.

Defendant was remanded for 24 hours for his parents to be located.

## DECISION RESERVED

Decision was reserved by Mr. Lowry yesterday until April 23, at 11.15 a.m., regarding the application made by Mr. M. A. da Silva, on behalf of the complainant in the case in which Wong Hal-fong, merchant, and Cheung Kung-hop were charged with conspiracy to threaten Tang King-wai, merchant, with injury in order to force him to withdraw the prosecution of a pending civil action in the Supreme Court for the recovery of \$20,520.37. Cheung was additionally charged with having demanded \$200 from Tang with menaces.

Both defendants were found not guilty and discharged by Mr. Lowry on Feb. 15.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared for first defendant and Mr. C. A. Sutherland Huss for second.

## FITTER IN TROUBLE

Wong Siu, 28, fitter, was remanded by Mr. Lowry yesterday until today on a charge of unlawfully making an addition to an electrical installation directly connected to the mains of the Hongkong Electric Company in the servants' quarters on the second floor of No. 22, Des Voeux Road Central on or about Mar. 31.

## GUNNY BAGS

Ho Ling, 28, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on two charges of placing 45 gunny bags on board a boat berthed at the Ping On Wharf on Apr. 8 without the consent of the owner, charterer, agents or master of the boat, and without a licence from the Controller of Trade.

Defendant, who was allowed bail of \$100, was remanded until today.

## UNEMPLOYED CHARGED

Three unemployed appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday on charges in connexion with the theft of a quantity of hammers and nails from the stores of Marsman Company, in Queen's Road Central.

Fung Kwai, 24, was charged with stealing by false pretences a 8-pound hammer, on April 6. Kwok Wing, 38, two 12-pound and one 16-pound hammers on April 7, and Cheung Wah, 24, 25 pounds of nails on April 8. Fung was also charged with aiding and abetting the last two men.

All defendants were remanded until today, on the application of Det.-Sgt. Willison.

## ELECTRICITY THEFT

Chan Sing, 34, elevator boy, was charged before Mr. Lowry yesterday with stealing 182.5 units of electricity, valued at \$27.57, at No. 22, Des Voeux Road Central, second floor, between March and April 7. Defendant admitted the charge.

Det.-Sgt. Willison said that the complainant was Li Tak manager of the New Majestic Ballroom, where defendant was formerly employed.

Mr. Lowry ordered defendant to be remanded until Saturday to see whether he could make restitution.

## FORGED BANKNOTES

The case in which Kwan Kan, 74, unemployed, was charged with unlawful possession of a forged five-yuan Bank of Communications note at No. 2 Police Station, and Li Ah-fung, 31, married woman, of six five-yuan Central Bank of China notes at No. 186, Johnston Road, second floor, on April 1, was heard before Mr. Sheldon yesterday.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty.

After further evidence had been given, the case was remanded for first defendant to call his witness.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

## AT KOWLOON

## MURDER CHARGE

Committal proceedings against Kwok Keng, 25, who was charged with murdering Ho Mui, a woman, at No. 284, Matauwei Road on Feb. 9, 1940, was concluded before Mr. Anderson yesterday when defendant was committed to the Criminal Sessions.

It was alleged that accused went to the deceased's house and was overheard asking for the keys by an amah. After the departure of defendant, it was alleged that the amah found her mistress lying dead in the cubicle with a piece of cloth around her neck.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted assisted by Chief Detective Inspector A. E. Carey.

Accused reserved his statement.

## PROFITEERS FINED

For selling rice at a price higher than the price fixed by Government, Chau Chung-kong, 21, fook of a rice shop at No. 55, Sai Kung Road, was fined \$50 by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday.

Chau Shan, 60, of a rice shop at No. 21, Sa Po Road was also fined \$50 for a similar offence.

## PETTY LARCENIES

Four Chinese, Mak Ming, 30, Sze To-yin, 28, Lai Kai, 28, and Tang Lam, 21, appeared before Mr. Anderson on four charges of larceny.

First and second defendants were charged with stealing 15 pieces of clothing, three pocket watches, a fountain pen, a driver's licence and \$4.70 in money from Wan Suk-kee, fook at No. 70, Argyle Street, and a pair of trousers, a purse containing 70 cents from Wong Suk-to, at No. 72, Argyle Street.

Third and fourth accused were charged with stealing a suit of clothing, a wrist watch and \$13 from Ho Sum, seaman, at No. 82, Tung Choi Street. The last defendant was additionally charged with larceny of a suit of clothing and two tobacco pipes from Kwan Lan, married woman at No. 609 Reclamation Street.

Det.-Sgt. W. G. Morrison asked for remand of 24 hours which was granted.

## FEMALE LABOUR

Several summonses for employing female workers in factories after eight o'clock in the evening were heard before Mr. H. G. Macnamara yesterday.

The Leung Ming Bulb Company, at No. 64, Argyle Street, and the Lee Shing Knitting Company, of No. 83-5 Kilung Street were each fined \$50.

The Min Ngai Knitting Company, of No. 32, Fuk Tsun Street was fined \$100 for a similar offence.

The Nam Chung Knitting Company, of No. 54, Fuk Wah Street, and the Yuen Wah Electric Plating Company, of No. 56, Fuk Wah Street, were fined \$25 each.

Mr. D. W. Phillips, Inspector of Factories and Workshops, was in charge of the cases.

## THEFT OF JEWELLERY

Charged with larceny of a quantity of jewellery, Wong Fung-lin, 30, married woman, appeared before Mr. Macnamara yesterday for a remand of 24 hours.

She was accused of stealing two gold bangles, four pairs of rattan

## TAXATION ON TOILET PREPARATIONS AS FROM 2 P.M. TODAY

AS FROM 2 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON THE FOLLOWING DUTIES ON TOILET PREPARATIONS WILL COME INTO FORCE:—

On any quantity for retail at a price (excluding the duty):—

Duty	Price
not exceeding 50 cents	5 cents
over 50 cents and not exceeding \$1.00	10 "
over \$1.00 and not exceeding \$1.50	15 "
over \$1.50 and not exceeding \$2.00	20 "
and in addition, for every dollar or fraction of a dollar by which the retail price exceeds \$2.00	10 "

Provided that in the case of toilet preparations packed in two or more cakes in one container, or in two or more containers enclosed in a larger container, duty shall be assessed on each cake or container which can be sold separately and the retail price for that cake or container.

For the purpose of the Resolution, which has been approved by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, "toilet preparations" means any substance commonly used for the toilet and includes toilet soap; shaving soap and cream; tooth pastes or powder and liquid preparations for dental purposes or mouth washes; perfumed sprays; toilet paste or powder; toilet cream; hair dye; scented sachets; lipstick, rouge and grease paint; preparations for use in manicure and chiropody; preparations for use on the hair, face or body; bath salts and essences; smelling salts; prepared Fuller's earth; but does not include any substance made and sold under a name or synonym specified in the British Pharmacopoeia or the British Pharmaceutical Codex.

## AFFIXING LABELS

The following is the direction by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports as to the affixing of duty paid labels on toilet preparations:— Whenever duty is paid on toilet preparations, and whenever any toilet preparation on which the duty has been paid is bottled, packed or repacked, a label denoting the amount of the duty paid shall be affixed to the innermost container which can be sold separately, so that it cannot be opened without breaking the label: provided that, if the preparation consists of cakes which can be sold separately, a label shall be affixed to each cake.

## TO PROMOTE OVERSEAS EDUCATION

For the promotion of education among overseas Chinese, a group of prominent Chinese educators in Hongkong are planning to organise a World Overseas Chinese Educational Association here with branches in Malaya and other places abroad.

All those who are engaged in educational work or are enthusiastic in extending support to the promotion of overseas Chinese education are welcomed to become members of the Association.

Regulations governing the organisation of the Association have been formulated. There will be an executive committee of 29 to 39 members and a supervisory committee of five to seven members. The Association will have several sections in charge of the welfare of teachers, publication of periodicals, custody of funds raised for educational purpose and other affairs.

## D. O. SOUTH

## BOUND OVER

Chan Kwong, charged before Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday with the possession of 25 catties wild tree wood, at Castle Peak Road on April 8, was bound over in the sum of \$25 for one year on his pleading guilty to the charge.

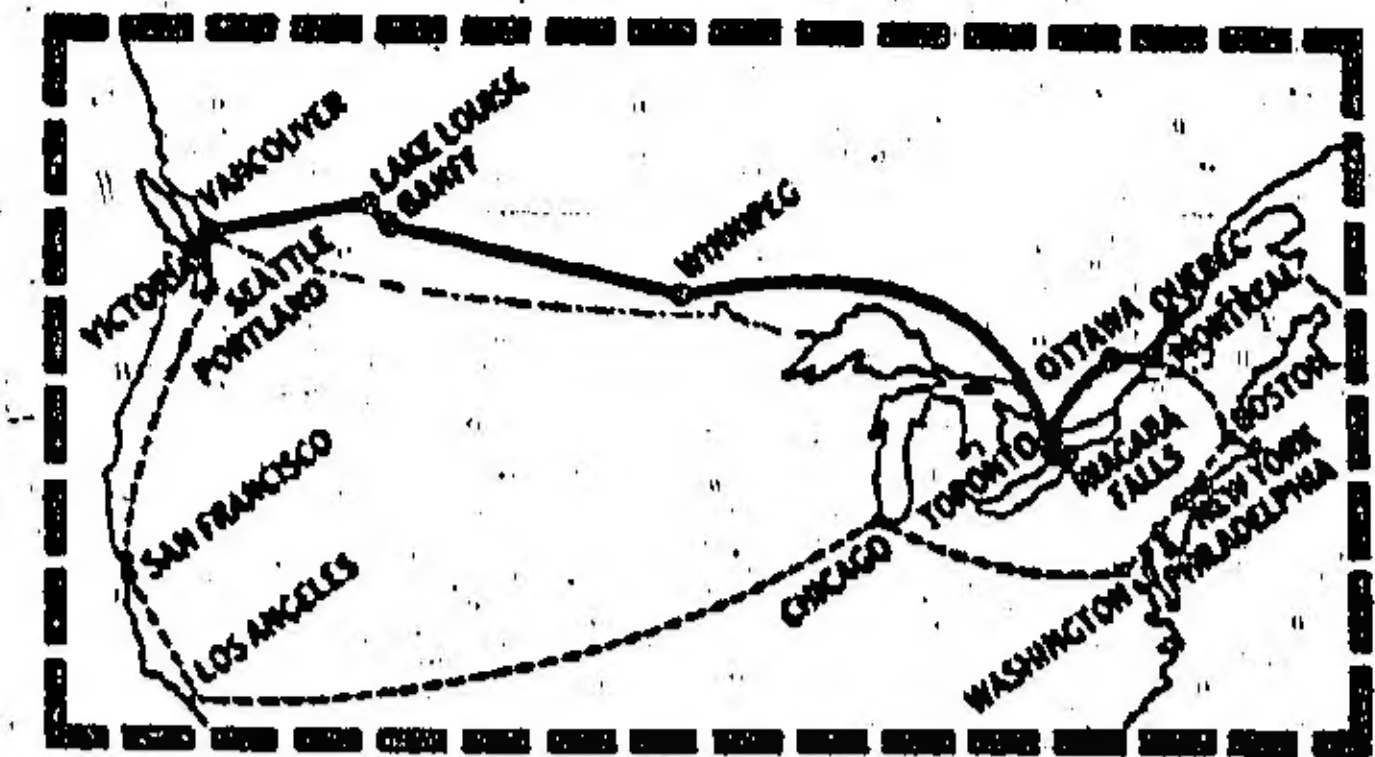
## MARINE COURT

## ILLEGAL BOARDING

Charged with having boarded a ship in harbour without permission of the master or officer in charge, eight coolies were fined \$30 each, in default a month with hard labour, by Commander J. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday.

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## REVIEW OF AMERICAN INDUSTRY

### HUGE FACTORIES GO INTO ACTION: ACTIVITY MARKS NEW DECADE

The year 1940 may go down as the one in which the great industrial giant that is America awoke.

The year drew to a close with the molten steel belching from the furnaces of Pittsburgh, Gary and Birmingham at a rate unequalled in 1917 or in 1929.

But the industrial giant—holding in his fists some 40 per cent of the world's productive capacity—awoke late.

Congress, which had conservatively whittled down requested defence appropriations in the winter, hastened to vote billions for planes, guns and ships.

Britain, after months of careful purchasing from American plants, haggling over terms, began calling for everything Uncle Sam could deliver.

Even now, with output of steel, vital machine tools, and aeroplanes straining present capacity, we are just getting started. Aeroplane production is still reckoned in hundreds a month, instead of thousands.

America's unemployed by varied estimates, still number 8,000,000 to 9,000,000.

But few doubt 1941 will see rapid acceleration. A defence boom is freely predicted. Jobs to be created are estimated all the way from a few hundred thousand (CIO) to 6,000,000 (Secretary of Labour Perkins).

That an arms-generated boom will bring the sort of prosperity for which the nation has been struggling through a decade of depression, is something many are unwilling to predict. The huge costs, the prospect of steeply higher taxes, the possible dislocation of peace time trade, are

among the darker aspects of the picture.

If the stock market still mirrors the hopes of business, its action scarcely indicates the profit hopes even of 1936. While indices of industrial production are far above a year ago, stock prices are well under.

Nevertheless, many economists and experts hope the arms boom will at some time in the future be looked back upon as impetus that finally put the depression-stalled machinery of Uncle Sam back to work, providing full employment and a better life.

The national income for 1940 is estimated at about \$74,000,000,000. That is \$4,000,000,000 more than for 1939, and only \$6,000,000,000 under 1929.

#### WHAT IT SHOULD BE

The Brookings Institution has estimated that U.S. productive capacity in 1929, fully used, could have procured a national income of \$100,000,000,000. With such a national income, current tax rates would meet the Federal expenditures estimated for 1941.

That is merely to note a theoretical potentiality, and not to say that any authority is estimating that national income will increase

## Finance and Commerce

### H.K. Stock Exchange

April 9.

The market is dull but there are no particular signs of weakness.

#### BUYERS

Bank of East Asia, \$70.  
Union Ins., \$430.  
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$80.  
Hotels X.D., \$3.  
Humphreys, \$6.80.  
Star Ferries, \$52.  
Lights (Old), \$52.  
Electricity Rts., \$15.  
Dairy Farms, \$17.25.  
SALES  
Providents, \$5.30.  
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to such a level right away in 1941.

In trying to assess the future, business men are asking such grave questions as, "How long will the war last?" "What will happen to U.S. own economy, and that of the world for that matter, when it is over, and production of arms ends?"

From each other, and from their experts and economists, they are receiving such conjectural answers as these:

1.—An end of the war in Europe which might take the form of an indecisive truce would no doubt leave Uncle Sam still determined to increase his arms.

2.—A defeat of Britain would presumably intensify the drive to arm in America.

3.—Defeat of the Axis Powers,

### FRENCH TRADE WITH COLONIES

#### Striking Allegations Made In Commons

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter) —

Striking allegations about trade between France and her colonies were made by the Liberal member, Mr. Geoffrey Le Mander, in the House of Commons yesterday.

In a question, he suggested that the weekly crossings between France and Africa average 70.

That ships pass Gibraltar from Dakar, Morocco, Indo-China and the Antilles largely unchallenged;

And that imports between October and February amounted to many tons of wine, meat, grain, peanut oil, fruit, fish, sugar, rum and cocoa.

He wanted to know what the British Government is doing to prevent such articles reaching the enemy.

Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister for Economic Warfare, was not prepared to accept all Mr. Le Mander's statement as accurate, but confessed that the state of affairs referred to gave ground for "grave dissatisfaction" and added that Britain in no degree waived her belligerent rights.

while seemingly not in early prospect might well bring a reconstruction period resulting in an enormous demand for American goods.

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### Revolution In British Taxation

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter) — Budget proposals were the chief topic of leaders in yesterday's newspapers, both the London and provincial Press recognising the thoroughgoingness of the Chancellor's plans.

The bringing in of the extra 2,000,000 lower bracket income-taxpayers, is stressed by all, the MANCHESTER GUARDIAN describing it as "a revolution in British taxation."

General welcome is accorded the introduction of the principle of compulsory savings connected with it.

The decision to omit from the budget the cost of goods received by Britain under the Lease and Lend Act is particularly approved by the DAILY TELEGRAPH, while the DAILY MAIL commenting on the higher income-tax, observes: "There will be little or nothing left for pleasures and recreation, yet the budget will be supported to use the Chancellor's words as tangible evidence of our firm resolve to leave nothing undone to achieve victory."

THE TIMES emphasising the great calls on the wealthy people writes: "At least this budget is an effective answer to the silly sneers about 'plutocratic' countries with which the dictators so tediously adorn their speeches."

### JERUSALEM RATES INCREASED

JERUSALEM, Apr. 9 (Reuter) — A 25 per cent. increase in rates has been decided on by the Jerusalem Municipal Council.

The increase is due to the general desire in Palestine to ease the burden on British tax-payers who contribute grants towards the expenses of the Palestine municipalities.

Drastic provisions of the British Budget have greatly impressed all quarters in Palestine and the high rate was announced subsequent to the publication of the Budget figures.

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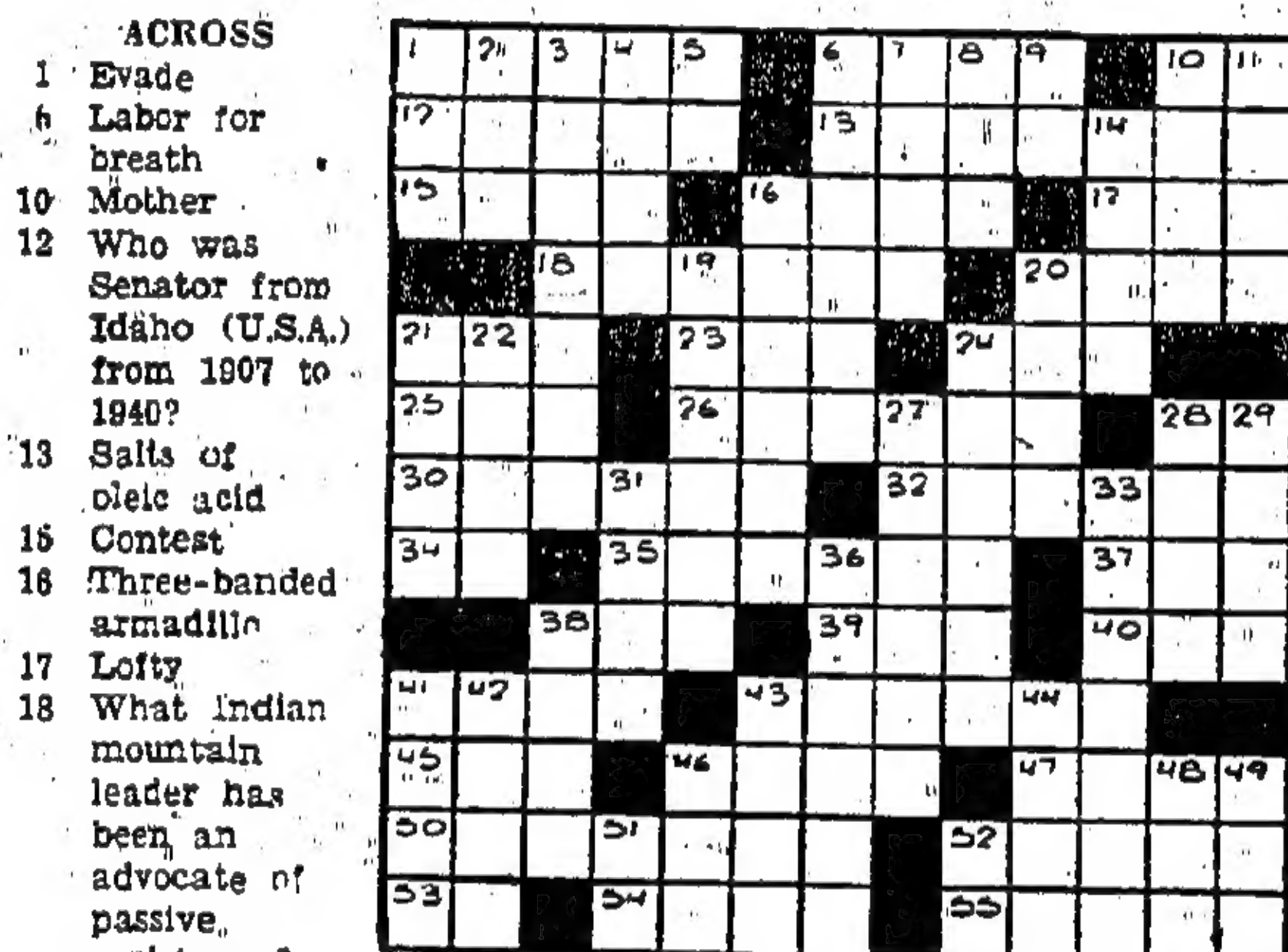
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- ACROSS
1. Evade
  6. Labor for breath
  10. Mother
  12. Who was Senator from Idaho (U.S.A.) from 1907 to 1940?
  13. Salts of oleic acid
  16. Contest
  18. Three-banded armadillo
  17. Lofly
  18. What Indian mountain leader has been an advocate of passive resistance?
  20. Dwellings
  21. Australian bird
  23. Poem
  24. Decay
  25. Beverage
  28. Cause to run off the rails
  28. Behold!
  30. What American composer wrote The King's Henchman?
  32. Inclined the head
  34. Indefinite article
  35. Express agreement
  37. Conjunction
  38. Piece out
  39. Fish eggs
  40. Thing in law
  41. Bird
  43. What is the name of the famous planetarium in New York?
  45. Native compound
  46. What is the first name of the dramatist who collaborated on "Once in a Lifetime" — Hart?
- DOWN
1. Decline
  2. Game at cards
  3. What is the smallest of the independent countries of South America?
  4. Facts
  5. Exclamation
  6. Burrowing rodent
  7. Mountains in Turkestan
  8. Weight of India
  9. Father
  10. Dissolve
  11. Serpents
  14. Tight
  18. Snakes
  19. Knotty
  20. Retain
  21. Feminine
  22. Signify
  24. Created an uproar
  27. Harasses
  28. Smooth
  29. Unequal things
  31. What is the missing part of the title of the famous Scott poem? The Lady of the —?
  33. Annual grasses
  36. Obliterates
  38. Always
  41. Cupola
  42. Seaport of Algeria
  43. Who was the inventor of the sewing machine?
  44. English public school
  46. Cleaning implement
  48. Prevaricate
  49. The wife of what Biblical character was changed into a pillar of salt?
  51. Note of the scree
  52. Intermediate tone

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### HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Bids	Notings	WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL	Buyers	Sellers	Bids	Notings
				<b>Banks</b>				
				H.K. Banks				\$1360
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				\$784
				Do. (Long Reg.)				\$744
				Chartered Bank				\$23
				Mercantile Bk. "A"				\$214
				Mercantile Bk. "C"				\$2104
				Bank of East Asia				15 ct.
				N. C. & S. Bank				
				Insurance				
				Canton Insurance				\$925
				Union Insurance				\$430
				Underwriters				\$0 ct.
				H.K. Fire				\$180
				<b>Shipping</b>				
				Douglases				\$125
				Steamboats				\$81
				Indo-Chinas (Pref.)				\$80
				Indo-Chinas (Def.)				\$80
				Shells				\$407 1/2
				Waterboats				\$7
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
				H.K. & K. Wharves				\$58
				Providents				\$5.40
				H.K. Docks (Old)				\$15.80
				H.K. Docks (New)				\$284
				Shanghai Docks				\$284
				<b>Mining</b>				
				Kailans				\$15/0
				Ranba				\$8
				Hong Kong Mines				
				<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings</b>				
				H.K. & S. Hotels				\$3.274
				H.K. Lands				\$334
				Do. 4% Debentures				\$974
				Shanghai Lands				\$3.15
				H.K. Realities				\$6.70
				Humphreys				
				Chinese Estates				
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewo (S.)				\$45
				Shai Cottons (S.)				\$200
				Zong Sings (S.)				\$125
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				
				<b>Public Utilities</b>				
				H.K. Tramways				\$164
				Peak Tram (old)				\$74
				Peak Tram (new)				\$33
				Star Ferries				\$53
				Yamat Ferries				\$234
				China Lights (O)				\$6.15
				China Lights (New)				\$14
				H.K. Electric (Old)				\$26.20
				H.K. Electric (New)				\$254
				Macao Electric (Old)				
				Macao Electric (New)				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				\$234
				Telephones (new)				\$9.20
				S'pore Telephones (Ord.)				
				<b>Industrials</b>				
				Caid, Macg. (Ord.) S				
				Caid, Macg. (Pref.) S				
				Canton Ice				75 ct.
				H.K. Bops				\$18
				H.K. Govt. Loan				\$7
				4% Loan				\$77
				3 1/2% (1934)				\$44
				3 1/2% (1940)				
				<b>Miscellaneous</b>				
				Dairy Farms				\$174
				Entertainments				\$6.40
				Constructions (old)				\$1.85
				Constructions (new)				\$74
				Lane Crawfords				
				Nanyang Tobacco				\$3.85
				Sinceres				\$3.15
				Watsons				
				Ch. G.S. 1925 G.S. Bds				\$10
				H.K. Wing On				\$35 1/2
				Shai Wing On				\$42
				Vibro Piling				\$14
				Marsman's Inv. (Lon.)				\$94
				Marsman's Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Poyells				\$190
				H.K. Electric (Rts)				\$104
				1 Sale to Shanghai				

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### HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Wednesday, April 9, 1941.

#### SALES

China Providents 500 \$5.30  
The total value is \$2,650.00

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, April 8, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	11.26	11.15	11.22	11.15 07 off
New York Rubber, May	22.00	21.80	22.00	22.00 unch.
Chicago Wheat, May	91 1/2	90	91 1/2	90 1/2 1 1/2 off
Chicago Corn, May	67 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2 unch.
New York Hides, June	14.19	13.70	14.10	13.75 35 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COTTON			
May	11.27/22	11.15/17	07 off
July	11.23/23	11.12/12	11 off
October	11.14/15	11.04/04	10 off
December	11.13/13	11.04/05	00 off
January	11.11 N	11.02 N	09 off
March	11.12/12	11.03/03	09 off
Spot	11.51	11.39	12 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK RUBBER			
May	22.00b/10a	22.00/00	unch.
July (New contract)	21.10b	20.82b/90a	28 off
September	20.80b	20.52b/58a	28 off
December	20.50b	20.25 N	25 off

	Close	Closing	Change
CHICAGO WHEAT			
May	91 1/2/91 1/2	90 1/2/90 1/2	1 1/2 off
July	90 1/2/90 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	1 1/2 off
September	89 1/2/89 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	1 1/2 off

	Close	Closing	Change
CHICAGO CORN			
May	67 1/2/67 1/2	66 1/2/66 1/2	unch.
July	67 1/2/67 1/2	67 1/2/67 1/2	1 1/2 off
September	67 1/2/67 1/2	67 1/2/67 1/2	1 1/2 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK HIDES			
June	14.10b/15a	13.75/75	35 off
September	14.20b/25a	13.80/80	40 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COCOA			
May	6.84 N	6.65 N	.01 up

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3			
May	2.43b/44a	2.44b/45a	.01 up
July	2.45b/46a	2.44b/45a	.01 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4			
May	75b/78a	75 1/2b/76 1/2a	.00 1/2 up
July	80b/81a	80b/80 1/2a	unch.

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES			
July	11.35b/40a	11.30b/40a	.05 off

	Close	Closing	Change
NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL			
July	8.59b/80a	8.39/39	.20 off
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	34-3/4	
N.Y.-London Cross Rate	4.03-1/2	4.03-1/2	

AMERICAN  
INDUSTRY

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products and credits. This is not to say, of course, that transition from wartime to peacetime economy would be easy.

At this time a year ago, American business was on the verge of a let-down resulting from the too hasty expectations of a war boom, which in autumn had sent stock prices booming, and industrial purchasing agents hastily stocking materials.

As the struggle in Europe developed into what wisecracks began to call a "sit-down" war, and it became increasingly apparent that it was not going to follow the pattern of World War I, business and markets faltered. Inventories hastily bought in the autumn seemed burdensome. Steel production slackened by a third in a few weeks.

The German invasion of Denmark and Norway last April was but mildly startling. There was talk of a spring pick-up in business, and perhaps expanded allied purchasing would help it.

## LOWLANDS ACTION SHOCK

It took the German invasion of Holland and Belgium in May to shock America into full realization of the gravity of the European holocaust. Mild panic developed in speculative markets. The stock experienced one of the most severe price declines in Wall Street history. From May 19 to June 14, grain prices were pegged in the Chicago pit.

But the prospect of greatly expanded and accelerated defence measures at home, and hastened purchasing by Britain, quickly turned the tide. Congress almost immediately appropriated, at President Roosevelt's request, \$3,297,000,000, first of a series of record-breaking peacetime authorizations for arms.

The volume of industrial production in the United States, as measured by the Federal Reserve Board, had dropped 12 per cent. from December to April. In May and June, it rose 9 per cent.

At last America was on the way to a full-fledged arms programme. Congress was freely voting billions, and business men who had complained of government spending and high taxes, urged still more taxes to make America strong.

LONDON STOCK  
EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, April 8.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952)	104-9/16
Defence Loan, 3%	101 1/2
Antant-K'loon Rly. 5%	11
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	42
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Bonds 1925/41	40-44
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	24
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	31
Chinese 5% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	8-10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5%	47
Homan Rly. 5%	14
Hukwang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	14
Hukwang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	12
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	12
Shanghai-Nanking Rly. 5%	14
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	12
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924	23-28 1/2
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	6
Chartered Bank	8-13/16
H.K. & Shanghai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	75
H.K. & Shanghai Bank (Col. Reg.)	78 1/2
Chinese Eng. & Mining (Bearer)	15-1/2
Chosen Corporation	4-1/2
Mercantile Bank of India, £5, "G"	10 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	1/8
Shanghai Electric Co.	10-1/2
Shanghai Waterworks "A"	11 1/2
Union Insurance	23
Gula Kalampong Rubber Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly.	14/9
Great Western Rly.	12 1/2
National Bank of India B.A. Tob. (Bearer)	88 1/2
Dunlop Rubber	83/8
Bristol Aeroplane	10 1/4
Imperial Chemical Ind.	29/8
United Steel	21/8

MONEY AND  
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## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 9, 1941.

On London:	
Telegraphic Transfer: 12 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 12 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	450
On Singapore:	
On demand	58 3/4
On Japan:	
On demand	102 1/2
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer: 88 5/8	
On demand	88 5/8
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/4	
Credits, 60 days' sight 25	
On Batavia:	
On demand	45 1/2
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits, 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:	
On demand	108
On Manila:	
On demand	48 1/2
On Bangkok:	
On demand	148 1/2
On Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate	Nom.
Bar Silver per oz.	23 1/2

## Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Wednesday, Apr. 8.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and Forward. Silver advances reported American Trade as having bought. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403.1/2.

## MARKET

Quiet.  
STERLING  
No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/3 up to May, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

A small business was reported at 24 5/8 for near delivery. The market closed with sellers at 24.9/16 for near, buyers at 24.11/16 for Cash.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 450 but later business was done at 461.1/4 and 461.1/2. The market closed with sellers at 461.1/2 and probable buyers at 462.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers of Sterling at 3.1/4 and closed with sellers at 3.15/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5.11/32 and closed with sellers at 5.5/16 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Apr. 9 (Reuter).  
Official T.T. Rates.  
Opening 0/3-3/16  
London 0/3-3/16  
New York 5-3/16  
Japan 22  
India 17-5/8  
Paris nominal  
Hongkong 21-1/8

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-1/4	0/3-15/64
Apr.	0/3-1/4	0/3-15/64
May	0/3-1/4	0/3-15/64

## U.S. Dollars

	Spot	Apr.	May
Spot	\$5-11/32	\$5-5/16	\$5-5/16
Apr.	\$5-11/32	\$5-5/16	\$5-5/16
May	\$5-11/32	\$5-5/16	\$5-5/16

## Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.  
The Equalisation rate was 24 1/2 per cent.

Calcutta Exchange  
Calcutta, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2

## India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupees, 95-12-0.

Woolworths	47/3
Maraman Investments	6/3
Western Holdings	9/6
Sub-Nigel	145/4
Shell Trade & Trade	41/3
(bearer)	41/3
bid	41/3

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

APRIL 9, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Apr. 8	Apr. 8	Apr. 8	Apr. 8
Adams Express	51	Kennecott Copper	32 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	19 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	33 1/2
Allis Chalmers	27 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	21 1/2
Amer. Can.	88 1/2	Loew's Inc.	31
American Cyanamid B.	35 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	25 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	13 1/2	Montgomery Ward	36 1/2
Amer. Foreign Pwr. pf.	15 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	12 1/2	National Distillers	20 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	National Supply Corp.	5
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2	New York Central	12 1/2
Amer. Sling and B'ing Co.	38 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	2 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	160	N. American Aviation	13 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	160 1/2	North American Co.	14 1/2
Amer. Tobacco, "B"	68 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	54	Packard Motors	2 1/2
Anaconda Copper	23 1/2	Paramount Pictures	11 1/2
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	25 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	24 1/2
Aviation Corp.	3 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	38 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	14 1/2	Pullman Inc.	26 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	34	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	84	Radio Corp. of Am.	4
Bendix Aviation	34 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	14 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	75 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2
Bills & Co.	15 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	3 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	14 1/2	Republic Steel	18 1/2
Borg-Warner	17 1/2	Reynold Tobacco, "B"	32
Briggs Mfg.	20	Schenley Distillers	9
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	31	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	33	Seco-Vacuum Oil	9
Celanese	21 1/2	Southern Pacific	9 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	39	Southern Ry. \$5 pfd.	22 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	61 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	32 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	3 1/2	Standard Brands	6
Commercial Credit Co.	28	Standard Gas & Elec.	9/16
Consolidated Edison	20 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	36
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	6
Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Curtis Wright (C)	61	Technicolor	8 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	60	Texas Corp.	37 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	145	Trans-America Co.	4 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	8	20th Cent. Fox	5 1/2
Elec. Autolite	28	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	10 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	2 1/2	Union Pacific	78
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	61	United Aircraft	36 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	63 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	11 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	33 1/2	United Corp.	7
Flintkote	12 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	22 1/2
Gen. Electric	31 1/2	United Gas Improvement	8
Gen. Motors	42	U.S. Rubber	22 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	12 1/2	U.S. Steel	53 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	11	Vanadium	25 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	12 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	54
Goodyear Tire & Co.	17 1/2	Walworth Co.	54
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Great Northern Ry. pfd.	24	Westinghouse Elec.	93
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Int. Tel. & Tyl.	24	Libby, Monell & Libby	5 1/2
Johnsman	56		

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1940/41	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Apr. 7	Apr. 8	Apr. 9	Change
1940/41	112.50	111.54	30	Industrials	123.84	122.94	121.00	2.43 off
32.67	22.16	30	Rails	29.23	29.05	28.36	29.40	.32 off
28.45	18.03	20	Utilities	18.50	19.48	19.19	19.23	.37 off
32.18	33.08	40	Bonds	91.44	91.44	90.58	90.58	.86 off
64.07	48.74	11	Commodity Index	63.29	63.29	62.79	62.79	.50 off

Business Done:—740,000 shares

## SILVER MARKET

## LONDON SILVER

London, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
Silver—Little trade buying satisfied by Indian Government sales.  
Spot, 23-1/2d.  
Forward, 23-1/2d.

## HOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
Market—Steady. Offtake 100 bars.

## Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-02  
April 22 Settlement 63-03  
May 21 Settlement 63-05

LONDON METALS  
EXCHANGE

London, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
Tin. Standard. Cash. Middle Price, 2288-3/4.  
Tin. Standard. 3 months. Middle Price, 2285-7/8.  
Market quiet.

## LONDON GOLD

London, Apr. 8 (Reuter).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-

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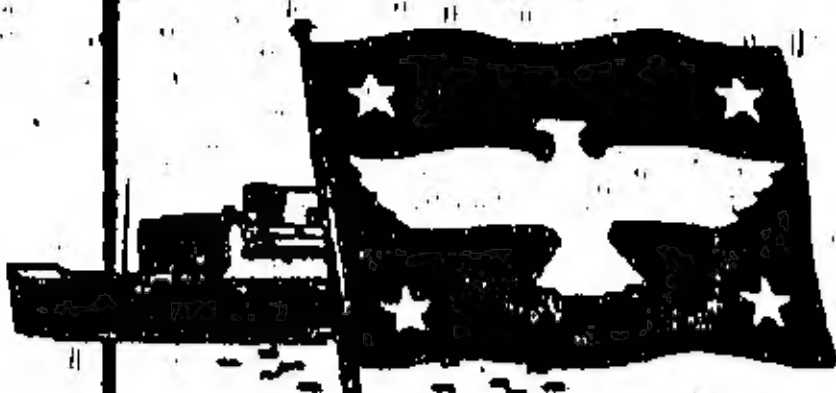
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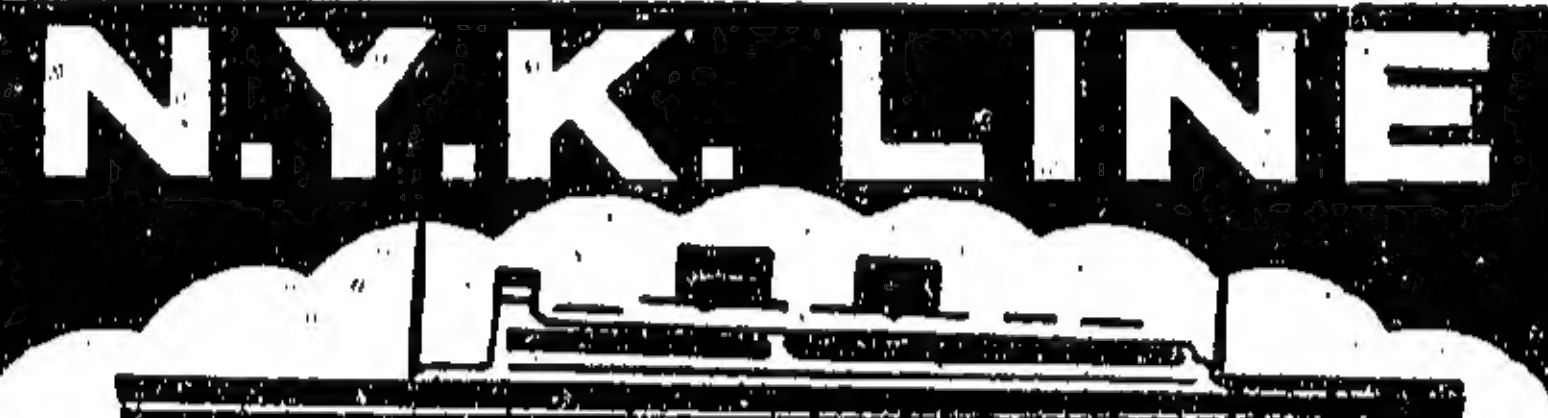
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## NAZI JUGGLRY REVEALED

British Shipping Losses

"Greatly Exaggerated"

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter) —

How Germany juggles with figures in her propaganda war against British shipping is exposed by a survey of German claims for the month of March made in authoritative London quarters.

The German day-to-day claims, it is pointed out, are the most exaggerated. The sum of these is always greater than each "weekly total" issued by the Nazis.

For example, figures for the third week of the Battle of the Atlantic total 387,000 tons while the day-to-day figures add up to 422,000 tons. In the second week, when no weekly total was claimed, the day-to-day figure was 185,000 tons.

Similarly the sum of weekly figures broadcast to all countries is greater than the monthly total given.

### MONTHLY TOTALS

For example, the monthly total for March, 718,000 tons, is equalled by the weekly totals, for the first, third and fourth weeks. The 185,000 tons claimed in the day-by-day in the second week never appear again.

Lastly, as part of the war of nerves against Britain, the figures given in broadcasts to England are always higher than those cited to elsewhere.

### CALL FOR UNITY

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter) — A call to Croats for unity and discipline was uttered over the Zagreb wireless last night by Dr. Vladimir Matich, the Croat leader and Vice-Premier in General Simovic's Cabinet.

The catastrophe of war, he says, can be lessened if the people are united and disciplined.

Assuring the Croats that he was going to remain among them and share with them every sorrow and trial, he urges them to "have faith in God and the unity of the Peasant Party."

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter) — Ten people arrested at Svolvær after the Lofoten Islands raid are said to be among the first prisoners sent to the German concentration camp at Oslo, according to the Norwegian Telegraphic Agency.

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 10 to 16 Apr. 1941.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Thur	10	h. m. 0-17	5.6
		20 25	6.2
Fri	11	0-51	6.2
		21 18	6.8
Sat	12	09 28	6.6
		22 14	6.2
Sun	13	10 06	6.6
		23 07	6.9
Mon	14	10 43	7.1
		00 04	7.5
Tues	15	11 23	7.3
		01 04	7.0
Wed	16	12 07	7.0

## HARBOUR OFFICE NOTIFICATION

### Black-out Exercise Next Week

A Black-out Exercise will take place on April 17. In this exercise, the black-out will automatically commence at sunset (1844 hours) and terminate at 2200 hours on that day when normal lighting and traffic will be resumed.

External lights of every description on board vessels are prohibited; and all internal lights must either be extinguished or obscured, so that no light is visible either from above or from any other direction.

Torches may be used to meet any special circumstance, but they must be screened with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or coated with paint.

### LIGHTS EXTINGUISHED

The following lights in the Hong-kong Area will be extinguished throughout the night of April 17-18:—Waglan Island, Tathong Point, Cape Collison, South Lyceum, North Lyceum, Channel Rock, Cust Rock, North Fairway Buoy, Central Fairway Buoy, South Fairway Buoy, Green Island, Ma Wan Island, Kap Sing Island, and the lights at the Entrances to the Yau-mat Bay Typhoon Shelter.

Note:—Waglan Island, Cape Collison and Green Island will be re-lighted at 2200 hours.

The Port will be closed to all inward and outward shipping between sunset and 2200 hours, during which period no movements of vessels, etc., will be permitted inside the Port.

A restricted ferry service will be maintained by the Star Ferry and the Hongkong and Yau-mat Ferry between Hongkong and Kowloon, and the vessels so employed will carry and show the prescribed navigation lights reduced in visibility to the satisfaction of the Harbour Master.

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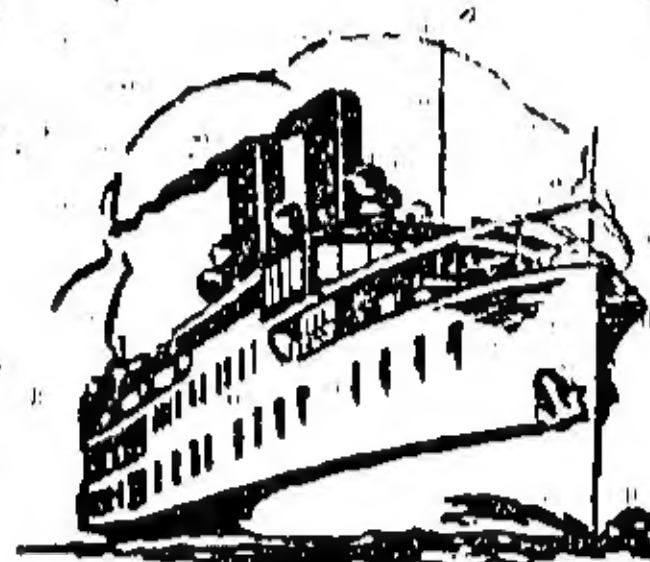
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## Inducements To Players To Go On Soccer Tours: Heated Discussion Raised By Kwong Wah Letter: Army Officer—And Evasion Of The Issue

The question regarding inducements being made by a club to players of another club to go on a tour, arising out of a letter from the KWONG WAH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, was the subject of a heated session at the monthly Council meeting of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION held yesterday evening.

KWONG WAH complained that with regard to a letter which they wrote to EASTERN on Mar. 26 they had received no reply, and asked the Association to press Eastern to give an answer.

### A.R.P. Orders

Continued from Page 5

S/Wardens—1582 Chan Moon and 1580 Wan Wing-nin.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Divisional Warden E. Humsforth, Shamshuipo, 3 months as from April 20. Deputy Divisional Warden G. T. Bird, Quarry Bay, 5 weeks' sick leave as from April 4. S/Warden 1041 Miss Lau Kik-oi, Aberdeen, one month's leave as from April 1. 2415 Chan Sik-cheung, Shamshuipo, two weeks' leave as from April 1. Dep. S/Warden 425 Lo Wing-tok, one month's leave as from April 8. 1517 W. Buchanan, Central, 4 months' leave as from April 9. Senior Warden 521 Fung Lai, S/W 563 Chan Pik-vuk, S/W 582 Leung Kwok-hung, and Deputy S/W 559 Kwong Tung 1 month's leave as from April 4.

#### INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Wardens Class (E47) in English (Syl. "A")—Kowloon—Kowloon Tong Club, Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. commencing on Monday, April 21. Lecturer—H. W. Leyden, L.A.R.P.S.

Wardens Classes in Chinese (Syl. "A")—C320 Farmers' Association, Wong Chuk-hang, Aberdeen, Wed., Fri. and Sun. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Apr. 9. Lecturer—Ip Wan-tung, L.A.R.P.S. C321 Queen's College, Hollywood Rd. Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Apr. 10. Lecturer—Mr. Lai Hang-man, L.A.R.P.S. C322 Confucian Society Free School, Tai Hang Village, Wed. and Sat. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Apr. 12. Lecturer—Mr. Han C. Liang, L.A.R.P.S. C323 Ellis Kadoorie School, Hospital Rd. Mon. Wed. and Fri. at 7 p.m. commencing on Apr. 14. Lecturer—Mr. K. S. Leung, L.A.R.P.S. C324 King's College, Bonham Rd. Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Apr. 14. Lecturer—Mr. Chan Woon-cheung, L.A.R.P.S. C325 Chinese Public Dispensary, Shamshuipo, Mon. and Thurs. at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Apr. 14. Lecturer—Mr. Cheng Kim-wah, L.A.R.P.S. 1st Aid Lecture—Mongkok Division—A lecture on 1st Aid will be given by Dr. N. K. Law at Wah Yan College, Nelson Street, Mongkok, on April 10, at 19.30 hrs. for all members of Mongkok Division.

#### MEETING

Attestations.—There will be no attestation meetings next week. Shamshuipo—There will be a meeting of District and Deputy District Wardens in the Yee Kuk Street Dispensary, on Thursday, April 10, at 7 p.m.

#### EXAMINATION RESULTS

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service:—Chan Kit-cheung, Miss Kwok Sui-ping, Leung Yung-ming, Ho Pei.

The following qualified as House Wardens but are not available for A.R.P. Service:—Pau Ying-lun, Kwong Fook, Leung Yuk-kwan, Lau Hung-yun, Chow Kwok-keung, Ng Kau-yu, Chow Wal, Cheung Kwong, Au Hing, Kong Kin-fong, Lau Yiu-cheung, Cheng Cheung, Lo Tan, Cheung Siu-cheung, To Tim, Chu Yat-ying, Kan Sang.

#### STRENGTH-INCREASE

The following qualified as Air Raid Wardens and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:—Central—279 Au Shiu-hong, 314 Chan Choi, 493 Chu Chi-ho, 3703 Chu Hin-kong, 487 Hui Fook-lui, 3701 Lai Chi-tuen, 418 Lee Tan-shung, 3702 Miss Lee Wan-yok, 2456 Leung Yau-kwong, 3703 Miss Lo Lai-mui, 3704 Miss Lo Wing-tong, 3885 Wong Sui-tuen, 3578 Tse Ping-cheung, 3707 Miss Yau Yin-fong, 3705 Poon Ki-wai, 3706 Tsang Bun, Upper Levels—3698 Chi Keng, 601 Lai Kin-wah, 3699 Yung Kai-sui, 3700 Yu Man-yuen, Bay View—55 Miss Yeung Mui-mui, Eastern—3721 Au Yeung-kong, 878 Miss Chan Kong-lam, 3722 Chan Kung-lam, 3709 Mrs. Chiu Kwan-wah, 3723 Pung Wai-man, 3220 Lau Ping-lun, 3710 Miss Lau Cheuk-ching, 3581 Lee Cheuk-woon, 3711 Miss Leung Sau-lun, 3712 Miss Leung Yuk-king, 3714 Lui Yee-chong, 3715 Miss Lung Sik-tin, 3716 Mong Yink-hung, 3717 Poon Pak-hung, 3719 Tso Wai-chung, 3723 Tam Kin-mo, Western—1117 Chan Tak-leung, 3716 Chan Yui-chuen, 3520 Chung Kwok-leung, 1120 Miss Kan Ching-ai, 1072 Miss Kan Pui-wah, 3724 Kwong Ying-ming, 3725 Lau Wing-lin, 3726 Li Lap-xong, 3727 Ng Kan-ik, 3728 Siu King-hung, 3729 Sze To, Stanley—3661 Chen Sheng-bun, 3662 Cheung Fung, 3663 Au Wo, 3664 Lo Wai-shing, 3665 Li Pak-choy, 3666 Luk Lai-foo, 3667 Ng Po-wan, 3668 Tuet Wai-leung, 3669 Chan Tung-on, 3670 Cheng Kai-ming, 3671 Chung

The letter to Eastern was to the effect that two members of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., had been approached by an official of the former club to accompany them on their tour to Manila for which they would receive travelling expenses. The letter also inquired whether such offer had been made by a responsible member of that club.

The letter went on to state that both of the players had applied for leave and this had been refused. It also pointed out that last year three players made similar applications which were refused. They accompanied a certain club and as a result lost their regular employment.

Since writing, the letter added, one of the players, Lau Fook-chuen, had actually left his employment and joined the tour. Under these circumstances, it stated, they had no option but to report to the Football Association.

#### SERIOUS MATTER

Mr. W. Brown (Kwong Wah's representative) said it was only brought to the Council on prin-

Kam-wing, 3672 Hui Hon, 3673 Leong So, 3674 Li Kim-fung, 3675 Li Kwong, 3676 Li Po-huk, 3677 Li Tam-fai, 3678 Miss Li Yan-kwong, 3679 Liang Hua-teh, 3680 Mak Yuk-pui, 3681 So Chau, 3682 So Yuk-man, 3683 Tam Wai-chow, 3684 Un Yung-yuk.

#### NOTICE

The following are the amounts of the street collection made during the Rotary Club's Flag Day on March 29, 1941 and the Lady Wardens taking part are to be congratulated.

A. R. P.	\$1,643.00
Individual Ladies	1,043.00
St. John Ambulance	850.00
V. A. D.	590.00
A. N. S.	540.00
Tung Wah Orphanage	275.00
Confucius School	259.00
Kowloon	1,081.00
Cheung Chau Island	78.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,356.00</b>

(Sgd.) B. H. PUCKLE,  
Deputy Director of A.R.P.

### INCENDIARY BOMBS

#### A.R.P. Demonstration

A practical demonstration on how to treat an incendiary bomb was given by Mr. Chat Tai-kway, Instructor of the local A.R.P. school, yesterday afternoon before a large crowd of interested spectators and A.R.P. wardens.

Explaining the methods used to put out fire caused by an incendiary bomb, Mr. Chat said that either water or sand could be used. Water, if used, should not be applied in jets (except on to furniture or other wooden articles not actually alight) but should be sprayed on, as a jet of water, containing more oxygen, would only prolong the life of the fire.

Sand is used to smoulder the fire—it does not put out a fire but smoulder it. Sand should not be shovelled on to a bomb but sprinkled on to it. The container for the sand should be near at hand so that there need not be any unnecessary delay between each shovelful.

After the bomb had been rendered harmless it should be deposited in the sand bin and carried out of the house for disposal.

#### PUBLIC INVITED

Another demonstration, accompanied by a lecture in English, will be given at 5.30 p.m. today on the ground adjoining A.R.P. Headquarters, Happy Valley. The public is cordially invited to attend these demonstrations.

LONDON, April 9. (Reuter).—General de Gaulle, Free French leader, following his sojourn in Egypt has now visited Palestine.

According to a dispatch to the Independent French News Agency A.P.F. he addressed Free French supporters in Jerusalem and Haifa.

ciple and pointed out that it was a serious matter to induce a player to leave his regular employment.

The Chairman said that the Association could not probe the private affairs of a player. This was an amateur league and another player could play for any club. He said they could not go into the question unless definite proof was forthcoming and pointed out that in the letter no complaint of inducements were made and only mentioned that travelling expenses would be paid.

Apart from the request, said the Chairman, to the Association to press Eastern for a reply there was no proposal and he asked Mr. Brown if he would like to put one. He also pointed out that the Association had power to call for the books of Eastern.

#### PROPOSAL IN LETTER

Mr. Brown replied that the proposal was contained in the letter tabled before the meeting.

Mr. J. McKelvie suggested that a letter be written to Eastern asking them why they did not write to Kwong Wah to seek permission for the players.

The Chairman pointed out that this was in direct contrast to the decision of the last meeting of the Council when it was decided that no transfer was necessary for tours outside the Colony.

Mr. H. K. Lee said that it was only a matter of courtesy for one club to reply to another and pointed out that the Association would be setting a dangerous precedent.

The motion of whether to press Eastern for a reply to Kwong Wah's letter was then put to the meeting and was defeated by a majority.

#### SHOULD WRITE

A proposal was then adopted by the Council to draft a rule to cover this point, i.e. one club desiring to secure players for a tour should write to the other club concerned to seek permission. This proposal will be brought before the annual meeting for adoption.

Mr. Brown expressed to the Council his full dissatisfaction with the decision which, he said, was unjust.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Capt. C. Patterson, associating himself with the remarks of Mr. Brown, said that it was the first time he had attended the meeting but he could not agree to the decision reached regarding Kwong Wah.

It was a very weak attitude to take and to say that nothing could be done about it and pointed out that there were players who had no other jobs other than playing football.

#### EVASION ISSUE

Capt. Patterson told the meeting that he was going to recommend to the Area Sports Board this fact and put forward his view that the Association had evaded the issue.

Prior to the present season there was contemplation of withdrawing all Army teams from the F.A. League and form their own Army League but this was not proceeded with.

Capt. Patterson said he would again put forward this suggestion at the next meeting of Area Sports Board.

He added that he only wanted to tell the meeting his attitude now. He was making no accusations against anybody and he had no ill feelings against any of the Chinese clubs. But the Association, he concluded, as a responsible body should look into the matter.

The Chairman replied that Mr. Brown had been given every opportunity and had been asked whether he would like to press the matter. There was no question of the Council evading the issue.

Capt. Patterson asked whether, in the opinion of all members, were they perfectly satisfied that there was no question of inducements made to players to play football. He was only telling the Council what he was going to do.

Present at the meeting were Mr. Wong Ka-tsun (Chairman), L. F. de Souza (Asst. Sec.), T. G. Stokes, Walter H. Chen, H. K. Lee, C. Guimam, P. O. Brown, W. J. Brown, Mok Hing, H. S. Cooper, J. McKelvie, P. S. M. Overy and Capt. C. Patterson.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 10th APRIL, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

### EASTER HOLIDAYS

On Friday 11th April, Saturday 12th April and Monday 14th April, the General Post Office and Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—

	Friday 11th
General Post Office	8 a.m. to Noon
Kowloon C. P. O.	8 a.m. to Noon
Sheungwan Branch P. O.	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

	Saturday 12th
General Post Office	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Kowloon C. P. O.	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Sheungwan Branch P. O.	8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

	Monday 14th
General Post Office	8 a.m. to Noon
Kowloon C. P. O.	8 a.m. to Noon
Sheungwan Branch P. O.	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

All other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the Holidays.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes each day as on Sundays and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at

11.30 a.m. Friday, 11th April  
10.00 a.m. Saturday, 12th April  
11.30 a.m. Monday, 14th April

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan  
Szechuen  
Kweichow  
Hunan  
Fukien (except Amoy and Kiangsu)  
Kwangsi  
North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th April.	15th Apr.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April.	22nd Apr.

### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

For	Date and Time
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Fri. 11th K.P.O. Reg. 11.30 AM Ord. Noon
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".	G.P.O. Reg. 11.30 AM Ord. Noon
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Tue. 15th K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service".	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Tue. 22nd K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Service".	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

## MASS AIR RAID ON KUNMING

### BRITISH CONSULATE DAMAGED

KUNMING, April 9 (Central).—Twenty-seven Japanese bombers carried out a devastating raid over Kunming shortly after noon yesterday.

Numerous light and heavy bombs and incendiaries were showered over various parts of the city causing three big fires, as a result of which many houses were demolished and burned down.

The British Consulate, the office of the National Red Cross Society of China and several other institutions were also damaged.

Yesterday's raid was the first since the one on Feb. 28.

#### LAND OPERATIONS

SHANGHAI, April 9 (Central).—Despite stubborn Japanese resistance, Chinese forces are vigorously battering their way forward toward Anyi, important Japanese base 20 miles north-west of Nanchang. Following the capture of Hsiao-chikai, a strategic point near

Anyi on April 8, the Chinese are laying siege to the city itself.

The Japanese in Anyi are said to be in a critical position. Only a quick withdrawal can save them from being encircled and annihilated.

#### GUERRILLA ACTIVITY

SHANGHAI, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—With the coming of spring Chinese guerrillas have intensified their activity in the various areas of Kiangsu and Chekiang Provinces, especially along the Nan-king-Hangchow Railway, according to Chinese press reports.

Heavy fighting is said to be in progress at Chapi, northern Kiangsu, facing Hangchow Bay where the Japanese are reported to have suffered 500 casualties recently.

To subdue these guerrilla forces considerable numbers of Japanese troops are said to have been withdrawn from Shanghai with the result that many strategic points here are now defended by troops of the Japanese-sponsored Wang Ching-wei regime.

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